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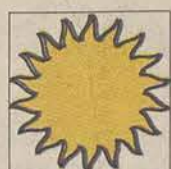
This Week's Weather



Today
Mix of rain and sunny weather with a high of 75 and a low of 59.



Wednesday
Partly cloudy with a high of 61 and a low around 45.



Thursday
Sunny skies with a high of 64 and a low around 40.



Friday
Partly cloudy with a high of 65 and a low around 44.

BLUE EDITION

Tuesday
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Sports



Eagles defeat UTC 72-55

Thursday's game proved to be favorable for GSU men's basketball.

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A&E



Drivin' n' Cryin' rolls into Legends

Atlanta-based Drivin' n' Cryin' returned for their yearly show Saturday.

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Features



GSU sophomore interns at Disney World

Jay Hodges has an internship many students would die for.

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Today's Word

Androcracy
(anDROkrusee)
Government headed by men.

Source: Weird Words

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Eagles still in control

■ GSU defeats UConn 52-30 in the second round of the I-AA playoffs, moving them one step closer in the drive for five.

By Jamie Hodges
Sports Editor

Like a summer storm suddenly popping up on the horizon, GSU's explosive triple-option offense had the potential to erupt at any given time during last Saturday's quarterfinal play-off contest against Connecticut. The Eagle offense unleashed its fury in the second half. GSU (13-0) used a 31-6 run in the second half to put away Connecticut in a 52-30 score-fest, and kept their undefeated season intact.

GSU's ground attack overwhelmed the Husky defense, piling up a staggering amount of 530 rushing yards, which set a new I-AA playoff record. The old record that the Eagles broke was 518 rushing yards by Arkansas State against Delaware on Dec. 6, 1986. Connecticut's Head Coach Skip Holtz, son of Notre Dame legend and current South Carolina head coach Lou Holtz, explained the difficulties of any defense in stopping the Eagle option.

"It's not misdirection that you can't find the ball," Holtz said. "You have to put a man on the ball. You have to put a man on the fullback, a man on the quarterback, and a man on the pitch. And they spread you out so wide horizontally, if they break one tackle they got a big play."

With an offense this difficult to defend it should be no small wonder that when you throw two explosive athletes into the mix, such as Eagle quarterback Greg Hill and freshman Phnom Adrian Peterson, that the offense is able to put up such high numbers on the scoreboard.



GSU 52
vs.
U Conn 30

Eagle Football
heads
toward the
FINAL FOUR

Peterson, they forgot about slotback Bennie Cunningham. Cunningham busted loose for 121 yards, and scored the game's first touchdown, a

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"They have two of the best players I've played against in I-AA football," Holtz said. "I think Peterson and Hill are two of the best that I've played. I mean, you can't tackle them."

Hill and Peterson continue to wreak havoc on unlucky defenses faced with the challenge of trying to stop them. Hill completed five of his eight passes for 81 yards, his biggest one a 44-yard strike to wide receiver Dedric Parham. He also ran for 119 yards and two touchdowns. The Peterson Express chugged through the Husky defense for a career high 232 yards and four TD's.

And with the UConn defense so obsessed with stopping Hill and



Hans Knoepfel

CAN IT GET ANY BETTER THAN THIS? With a 13-0 season thus far, Eagle football is dominating I-AA football with its show of aggressive offense and quality players. Up next for the Eagles is Western Illinois this Saturday in the third round of playoff action.

Violations of alcoholic beverage regulations decline from 1997

By Allison Taylor
News Editor

The number of violations of the alcoholic beverage regulation in GSU's student conduct code are down slightly, compared to previous years on campus.

"It's still early in the year," Edward Bayens, head of judicial affairs said. "The current numbers that we have are only until the beginning of December."

According to GSU Judicial Affairs, there have been 23 reported violations of the alcoholic beverage section of the conduct code, as of Dec. 1.

In 1997 there were a total of 57 violations of the student conduct code during all four quarters. However, specifically looking at the time period that equals fall semester, there were over 30 individual violations.

Bayens said there was a 60 percent drop in the number of students charged since 1992. Following a fourfold increase from 49 in 1990 to 230 in 1992, the number of violations has steadily declined to a total of 91 in 1997.

Bayens is not sure if the trend will continue.

"After the 230 reported incidents in 1994, the numbers have been declining," Bayens said.

There are several things that Bayens attributes to the decline.

"After the 230 reported incidents, the university implemented a stricter enforcement of the conduct code," Bayens said.

First-time offenders will receive at least three months on disciplinary probation, 10 hours of community service, and required attendance at an alcohol educational program.

A second offense gets five months of probation, 10 additional hours of community service, and attendance at educational programs.

"Three strikes and you're out," Bayens said.

If any student violates the conduct code three times, they will be suspended from school.

According to Bayens, there might have been eight or nine instances of suspension last year.

"Once a student is suspended they are given the opportunity to apply for re-admission," he said. The students are then required to follow several steps to reapply.

Not only has the enforcement

POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BASED ON THE GSU STUDENT CONDUCT CODE:

- In compliance with state law, no person under the age of 21 may possess or consume any alcoholic beverages in the residence halls.
- No person may possess and/or consume alcoholic beverages in public locations on campus, including common areas in the residence halls.
- The sale, distribution or furnishing of alcoholic beverages to minors is prohibited.
- Students who behave in an intoxicated manner as a result of the use of alcohol or require staff assistance shall be subject to disciplinary action.
- The playing of games (or competitions) involving the use or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on the GSU campus or at events sponsored or supervised by the University.
- Common source containers (e.g. kegs, "beer balls", etc.) are prohibited in University owned residence halls.
- Possession of any alcohol paraphernalia (e.g. funnels, etc.) is prohibited.
- Empty alcoholic beverage containers (cans, bottles, etc.) are prohibited in University owned residence halls.
- Residence hall students twenty-one (21) years of age or older may consume alcohol in the privacy of their own room or in the assigned room of another twenty-one (21) year old or older resident. Students or guests twenty-one (21) years or older may NOT consume alcohol in a residence hall room where all of the assigned residents are under the age of twenty-one (21).

been stricter on campus, but the university has increased the number of educational programs on campus.

Throughout the year, Bayens makes several presentations to GSU 1210 classes, where he discusses the consequences of drinking, how the law has

changed, and other important information that students need to know.

GSU's participation in National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week is another example of programs on campus helping to educate students about alcohol use.

Through a series of seminars and activities on campus, the week, dedicated to alcohol awareness, helps to inform students about alcohol misuse, abuse and alternative choices to alcohol use.

"We know college students

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Graduation will go on as planned

By Kelley McGonnell
Editor

Despite rumors and speculation, GSU will hold both its graduation ceremonies as scheduled on Dec. 19, regardless of the possibility of GSU playing in the I-AA National Championship game that same day.

According to Cecil Perkins, assistant registrar, graduation will not be canceled or postponed because of the traditions involved with it.

"Graduation is a tradition we will not change," Perkins said. "It is too important of an event and we would never change it."

The Eagle football team is currently in the I-AA playoffs. If they win Saturday's contest against Western Illinois then they will go on to the National Championship game in Chattanooga, Tenn., on Dec. 19, causing a conflict with the graduation ceremonies.

Perkins said that regardless of the results of Saturday's home game, graduation will go on as planned.

According to Perkins, candidates for winter graduation should have received a letter recently from the registrar's office which included the details of graduation.

Anyone expecting to graduate who did not receive a letter should call the registrar's office at 681-0432.

GSU football hits the Internet

By LaTrinesia A. Thomas
The Statesboro Herald

Georgia Southern University has taken its football program to yet another level. Fans can not only see a game at Paulson Stadium, but they can listen to it on the school's web site as well.

GSU Athletic Media Relations came up with the idea last spring quarter, but larger colleges have already gotten into Internet broadcasting.

"We actually considered this a revelation as far as Internet sites," Jim Stefan, associate director of GSU athletic media relations, said. "We saw it as

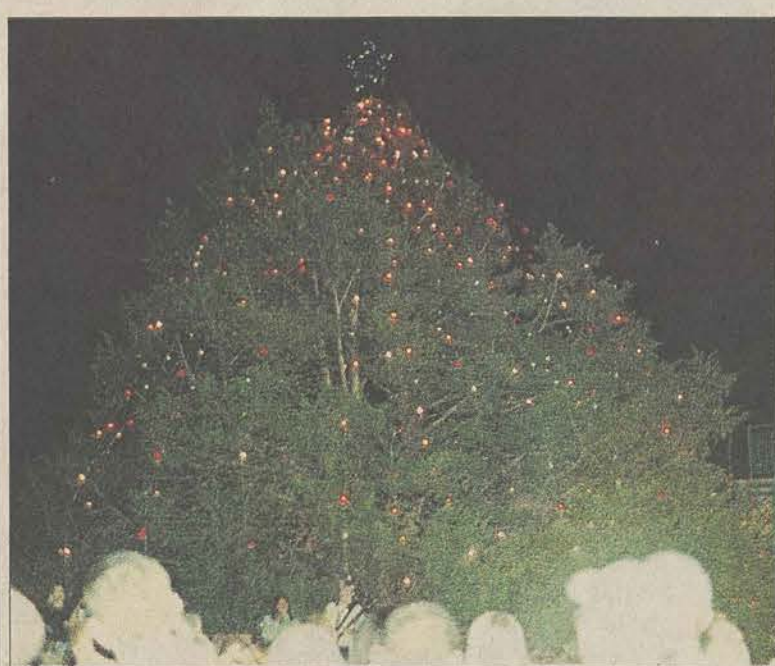
an opportunity to promote GSU football and have it heard outside of the broadcast area."

GSU fans and alumni are able to do just that. "We have had fans from Arkansas to Delaware and Belgium to Australia call GSU's postgame show, with Ted Byrne on WMCD, just to let us know they were listening," Stefan said.

Byrne said he has received calls to his show from people in Belgium, Italy, California, New York, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Alabama and several other places.

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Bright lights, big tree



Robert Bruce

TREE LIGHTS UP GSU CAMPUS: At the 38th Annual Tree Lighting, which was held last Friday, students, faculty and staff, along with members of the Statesboro community, got a chance to join in the Christmas tradition. Several campus religious organizations were represented, contributing their parts to the music.

GSU Presidential search attracts excellent candidates for screening

G-A News Services

The search for the next president of Georgia Southern University is progressing as planned, according to Trey Denton, chair of the Presidential Search and Screening Committee.

"The interest in our presidency has been tremendous and has drawn many exceptional candidates. We are very pleased with the quality of the men and women in the pool," Denton said.

The Presidential Search and

Screening Committee has received nearly 100 applications and nominations for the position from across the country and abroad.

"We found that many of the very best candidates were not actively in the job market and only responded to the personal call from the search firm. We have been very pleased with their assistance," he said. The committee chose A.T. Kearney, Inc. of Alexandria, Va. to assist in the

presidential search.

Next, the committee will begin an in-depth screening process including meeting a number of candidates off-campus before ultimately providing five unranked candidates to the Board of Regents and Chancellor Stephen R. Portch in late winter.

"Most of all, we are looking for someone to inspire us with a shared vision for the future of Georgia Southern," Denton said.

Southern Explosion bursts into action



Cory Brooks

BUST A MOVE: The Southern Explosion dancers show the crowd what they can do at a recent men's basketball game. The group of female dancers uses a variety of different dance moves in a

brief but active display of their individual and team skills. Southern Explosion usually makes their main appearance during half-time at most men's basketball games.

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SGA UPDATE

SGA rejects parking fine proposal

By Laura Owens
Assistant News Editor

At their most recent meeting, SGA announced that the previously discussed parking proposal was tabled by the parking and transportation committee.

According to Justin Elder, the SGA voted not to pass a new parking proposal.

The tabled proposal stated that all \$25 and \$20 fines shall be reduced to \$15 with the exception of parking in a disabled/handicapped space. The proposal also stated that if a student, faculty, or staff does not pay for a \$15 fine within five working days, a one-time late fee of \$5 will be imposed, unless an appeal is filed. This proposal was initiated as a result of student complaints over the increase in parking fines.

"Students aren't paying their parking fines due to the increase, although parking violations have decreased," Justin Elder said.

The Parking and Transportation Committee has been working on the proposal for about two weeks, but Elder said the Department of Parking and Transportation did not want to lower parking fines until they developed a sure-fire method of collecting said fines.

Elder also said the committee can no longer put registration

holds on students who do not pay their parking fines and so they are trying to find alternative ways of collecting the money.

According to SGA President Russell Keen, the parking and transportation committee would like to see the fines decreased if they could ensure that the collection of the fees would be legislated.

According to Elder, the biggest problem with the proposal was getting it started.

"They're willing to work with the fees, it was just hard to get the ball rolling," he said.

Even though the proposal has not been passed, the Parking and Transportation Committee is hoping to build on it, so they could find a common ground.

The ultimate goal in working with the parking fines is to get them lowered, Elder said. "\$25 is steep," he said.

According to Keen, there are six students and four faculty/staff members on the Parking and Transportation Committee, giving students a majority.

"It's a lot better here than at many other schools. We're here for the students, trying to get them [parking and transportation] to be more understanding towards students."

In other business:

- SGA voted on a proposal to fund the purchase of SGAT-shirts, in order to present a uniform appearance at SGA events and activities.

- The undergraduate proposal was tabled but will be brought before SGA again.

- The faculty athletic committee passed a proposal stating that lettermen will actually receive something. Senior lettermen graduating with a 3.0 or higher will receive a ring. Other senior lettermen will receive a plaque, junior lettermen will receive a blanket, sophomore lettermen will receive a duffel bag, and freshman lettermen will receive a blanket.

- It was announced that the faculty senate discussed whether students wanted a fall break or an extended Thanksgiving break.

- A senator serving on the Presidential Search committee got feedback from SGA on what qualities they would like to see in the new president.

- The SGA Forum was successful, obtaining lots of feedback from students.

- SGA's operational budget is \$16,937.65

- SGA's organizational budget is \$6,150.

Students beware, finals are right around the corner

By Jana Aiken
Staff Writer

With GSU's first semester coming to an end, students are beginning to prepare for final exams.

According to GSU's Tutorial Center Director, Carol Brown, finals are what students should be preparing for all semester.

"We strongly encourage students not to wait until the last minute," Brown said. "When you cram, you come up short, because there is only so much your short term memory can retain."

Brown recommends that students use the SQ3R textbook study system throughout the semester in order to gain the most from the text.

The SQ3R method is a series of five steps to follow when reading a chapter. They are survey the main headings and summaries, develop questions regarding important topics, read, recite and review.

Other helpful study habits, according to Brown are reviewing notes, old tests, marking notes with symbols and brackets to highlight main ideas, as well as sitting up front in class and

establishing eye contact with the teacher.

But for students who have not prepared ahead of time, cramming may be the only alternative now that finals are just around the corner.

Brown has some tips for gaining the most out of a night of cramming.

To begin with, skim each textbook chapter that will be on the test. Pick out the main ideas and put them in your own words on a separate summary sheet.

Next skim each set of classroom notes and put those main points on the summary sheet.

Put away your books and notebooks and study directly from the summary sheet you have prepared by reciting the information in your mind until you have it memorized.

By studying this way, students are taking a chance selecting only certain ideas, but it would be impossible to learn everything in one night.

If you have old tests, study from them because you are likely to see that material again.

Do not study for more than one hour without taking a short

break Brown advises.

"Students need to study in the environment that is the most comfortable for them," Brown said. "One student may prefer soft music in the background, while another may prefer silence."

Brown also stressed that students should not get to class early and listen to others talk about what they studied.

"When a student sits in class for 15 minutes before the professor arrives, they simply stress themselves out in hearing those around them recite things that may be different than what they remember studying," Brown said. "The best thing to do is wait until you see the professor heading for the classroom and then go in yourself."

Another stress buster is chewing gum softly or sucking on hard candy, which relaxes the jaw muscles keeping the body relaxed.

Rick Taffe with the GSU Counseling Center advises students to get a good night sleep, eat well balanced meals, limit alcohol intake as well as taking time out of studying to do something stress free that they enjoy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things to Do at GSU

Ongoing

- Wanted: **Military veterans** to assist in chartering a new student organization that will give veterans a voice on campus. Contact Chris Johnson at 489-4401.

- The **Distance Learning Center** at GSU would like to announce two Internet based courses to be offered for Spring semester 1999.

- The classes available are Calculus I, Math 1441 and Elementary Spanish I, Span 1001. Students will communicate via e-mail, voice, postal, and on-line chats. Contact Judy Schomber at (912) 681-5470, or Mike Deal at the registrar's office, (912) 681-5421.

- Registration is now open for the **Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp**. Boys and girls aged 10-18 are eligible. Camp locations

are Atlanta, Ga., Raleigh, N.C., Center Valley, Pa., Bristol, Va., Delaware, Ohio, Marion, Ind. College basketball scholarships are possible for the most advanced players. For an evaluation form call (704) 372-8610.

Friday, December 11

- The last day of classes! Yippie!

POLICE BEAT

Editors Note: The Police Beat will return Thursday, December 10.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEF

Woman found dead in car

CUMMING, Ga. (AP) — A woman was found dead in the passenger side of her car, which had been parked in some woods.

The body of Robin Turan, 31, of Cumming was found by a sheriff's deputy on routine patrol last

Wednesday, said Karen Chalker, a spokeswoman for the Forsyth County Sheriff's Department.

Authorities said they suspect foul play, although they would not say how she died. An autopsy was planned last Thursday.

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1 California Vampire wannabe enters plea in murder case

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO—A man who claims he's a 2,000-year-old vampire pleaded innocent to charges he murdered a homeless woman and slashed three other people.

Joshua Rudiger, 21, entered the plea last Tuesday in San Francisco Municipal Court to 10 felony charges in connection with four knife attacks on homeless people.

Authorities say Shirley Dillahunty, 48, died after her throat was slashed while she slept on a sidewalk Oct. 29. Rudiger is also accused of three counts of attempted murder and six counts of felony assault in three earlier attacks on homeless men in Chinatown.

Rudiger was arrested early Nov. 11 for allegedly slashing the throat of Phat Sin as he slept in a Chinatown alley. Police said Rudiger then admitted to the attacks on Sin and Dillahunty, as well as the stabblings of Willie Jackson and Robert Kurtz on Oct. 16.

Police said he told them he was an ancient vampire. Rudiger, who has a long history of mental problems, was ordered to return to court Feb. 5 to have a date set for a preliminary hearing.

2 Colorado 70-year-old becomes bank robbery suspect

The Associated Press

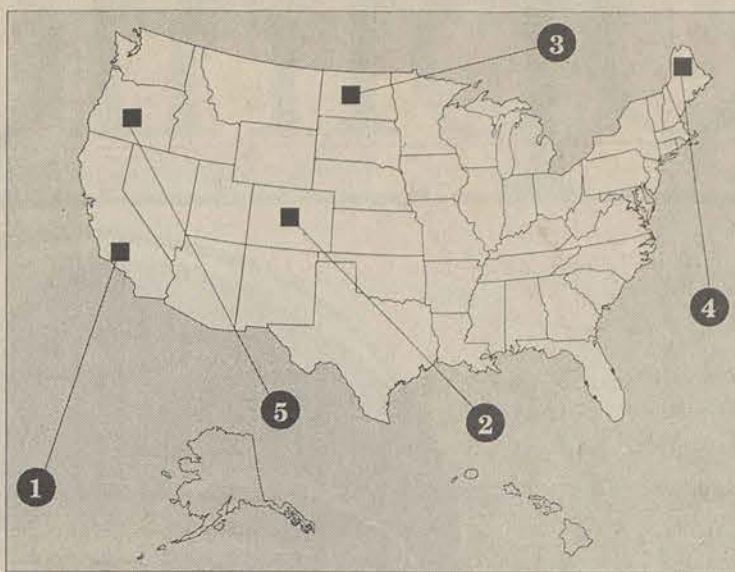
GREELEY—An elderly Wattenberg woman hardly fits the profile of a bank robber.

But that's what she is accused of being after an incident last Monday at the Bank of Colorado in downtown Fort Lupton. In fact, the woman is also suspected of robbing a Brighton bank two weeks ago.

The suspect, Angela Martinez, 70, of Wattenberg, was booked into the Weld County Jail, then released on a \$3,000 bond, authorities said.

Fort Lupton police Lt. Joe Perales said the woman, 4-foot-11 and 105 pounds, walked into the bank Monday afternoon wearing a full-sized black trash bag over her head.

"The would-be robber, with other bank customers staring at her, went to the front of a line



and demanded money from a bank teller," Perales said.

A bank officer called the Fort Lupton police and another bank teller tripped the bank alarm. The woman was unarmed when arrested. The woman allegedly told officers that a "stranger" forced her to go into the bank and to rob it for him.

However, Martinez also is suspected of robbing the Norwest Bank on Main Street in Brighton on Nov. 20. That bank was robbed by a small woman wearing a trash bag, authorities said.

The woman walked out with cash, but the exact amount was not released.

3 North Dakota Man missing since May found at shelter

The Associated Press

FARGO— Authorities have found a man who was reported missing last May.

Robert White, 44, of Fargo was found alive and well at a homeless center.

Breckenridge, Minn., police Chief Dennis Milbrandt said White has been unable to tell authorities where he has been for the past seven months.

White's bicycle and personal belongings were found along the

Otter Tail River shortly after he disappeared last spring, and authorities feared he might have been the victim of foul play. They searched the river for clues.

4 Maine Burglars inadvertently steal ashes from cremation

The Associated Press

BIDDEFORD—Burglars who ransacked a house in Newfield took not only the former occupant's belongings, they took a part of him.

The burglars scooped up a plastic bag containing what they thought was gunpowder for rifles they had taken. But it actually contained part of the cremated remains of John L. Berard, who died last May.

The ashes were discovered missing Thanksgiving morning when Berard's family gathered at his house for a memorial Thanksgiving meal.

But by Saturday, the stolen property and the ashes had been recovered and two Newfield teens had been arrested on burglary and theft charges.

"When we left there, we were all in tears. We couldn't believe

how lucky we were," said Berard's daughter, Kathy Berard.

5 Oregon Woman assaulted by naked man

The Associated Press

PORTLAND—Police have arrested a man they say walked into an office with no clothes on and attempted to rape a woman inside.

James P. Seabrandt, 39, walked into the office last Thursday morning and used the drinking fountain, police said. He then grabbed the woman as she got up from her desk to leave, threw her to the ground and tried to rape her, police said.

Neighbors at the Portal Oaks Office Park said they heard screams for help and a loud crash. Seconds later, Nick Rigutto, who was in an office across the hall, burst into the room with a sledgehammer handle, scaring the suspect off the victim.

"I've never been in that situation before," said Rigutto, who runs a local trucking company. "I just reacted."

Finding Florida to be a microcosm of weirdness

The Associated Press

MIAMI—A dead man votes. A parrot is choked and dunked in a margarita at a bar. A police chief resigns after allegations he slept with an inmate's wife. The chief federal prosecutor resigns amid claims that he bit a stripper.

Don't blame Florida. It can't help but be weird.

Look at the mix: immigrants from all parts of the Caribbean, generations of Southerners, newly arrived Northerners, Indians, nearly 3 million retirees and 47 million tourists annually.

Factor in extreme weather, 1,300 miles of coastline, a huge swamp encompassing much of its inland and some unusual wildlife.

"There are so many layers," said Karen Cure, editorial director of Fodor's Travel Publications.

"There's the new Florida, the glitzy Florida, the tourists' Florida, the developers' Florida, the Versace Florida. Then there's this whole Cuban/Latin Florida

and there's cracker Florida and fisherman Florida and on and on and on."

As a new book points out, it's a recipe for the unexpected, a weird side that isn't marketed to tourists, most of whom think of Disney World, spring break and beaches when they hear "Florida."

"I've spent some time in Southern California and Southern California is pretty weird, but ... from one end of the state to the other, it can't beat Florida," said Eliot Kleinberg, author of the 229-page book, "Weird Florida." "I don't think you'll find any other state in America with so much weirdness because Florida is a microcosm of America."

At the top is the lame duck governor, who calls himself a "He-coon," for the wildest raccoon in the forest. A recent state House candidate claimed her opponent died three years ago. And there was an alligator wrestler who got trapped in his foe's jaws only to return to work two days later with a bandaged head.

Those items didn't even make it into Kleinberg's book documenting Sunshine State strangeness. Kleinberg, a reporter for *The Palm Beach Post*, opens with a challenge.

"Florida is the home of more nuttiness per square mile than any place on earth, and we dare the world to prove us wrong," he writes.

Kleinberg culled through decades of archives and gathered unusual Florida news stories and lore, from a Key West man who had a seven-year love affair with a dead woman in the 1930s to a dead man who voted in Miami's 1997 election.

"We actually had more weirdness than we could fit in the book," he said.

After all, this is the state where the wife of former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega was charged with shoplifting, and Paul "Pee Wee Herman" Reubens, a once popular children's television star, was arrested in an adult movie theater.

Woman drives car through Allstate insurance office

The Associated Press

NORTHFIELD, N.J. — A motorist inexplicably drove her car into a building last Tuesday, smashing through a brick facade and into an Allstate insurance office.

When the car came to a rest, driver Mary Sulpizi opened the door and asked a worker: "Do you have a Band-Aid?" She had cut her hand in the accident.

Sulpizi, driving a Lincoln Town Car, was entering the parking lot, which is separated from the building by a 3-foot wide side-

walk, when she apparently hit the accelerator instead of the brake, according to police Capt. Jack Glasser.

"It's unreal," said Nancy Rivera, 50, a worker in the office. "We always said it would happen because the cars park right there. I'm not sitting in front of the window anymore."

Sulpizi, 86, of Margate, suffered only the cut hand. Charges were pending against her, police said.

Danny Vlado, 33, of Atlantic City, a customer who was in

the office, and Carolyn Foster, 55, of Somers Point, an employee, suffered minor injuries, police said.

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Big Boy stolen from Ohio restaurant, again

The frequently targeted statue is safely returned to its restaurant following a 10 mile journey

The Associated Press

TOLEDO, Ohio—Big Boy is back home after being kidnapped during the weekend.

The 500-pound hamburger-toting statue with red-and-white checkered pants and matching suspenders was stolen from its pedestal in front of

a Big Boy restaurant in the city.

It was found last week about 10 miles north of Toledo at a house in Temperance, Mich. and returned to the restaurant.

"I guess he's going to be all right," said Leyton Hill, the restaurant's assistant manager.

"He just looks like he went out for a ride."

Employees noticed the fiberglass statue was missing last Sunday afternoon.

Big Boy is a frequent target of vandals and pranksters.

About three years ago, a group of college students kidnapped a Big Boy from the same restaurant.

After dismembering it, the group left his body parts around the city with notes saying "Big Boy is Dead."

That Big Boy was beyond repair by the time his parts were collected, but the pieces were offered as organ donations to other damaged Big Boys.

Big Boy statues have guarded the doors of their namesake restaurants since the 1930s.

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Our Opinion

It's that time of year again

It's the happiest time of year, but for GSU students the dread of having to take final exams in one week doesn't make the approaching holiday seem all that merry.

But seriously, doesn't the university believe in exam prep time?

What is going on with having one weekend to prepare for an entire week of exams, especially for those unlucky students who have to take exams in the first few days?

Here we are trying to finish up regular term work, with assignments and essays due right up until the last day of classes. Then we have two days, Saturday and Sunday, to prepare for an entire week's worth of exams.

When the administration was figuring out dates for the new semester, we think they forgot to allot enough study time for exams, especially since we now have more classes with the advent of the semester system.

Even those students with the best study habits, and the best time managers need time to absorb and compute information before being able to regurgitate it in two days.

Not only did exam time creep up on us, as usual, but now that students are trying to make the adjustment to a new semester system, many students will be facing to five or six finals this exam period, whereas during the quarter system, the average student faced three.

We think that GSU students need more time to absorb information. Maybe there should be some kind of a rule where professors aren't allowed to assign work on the last week of classes. Or maybe the last week of classes should be the week before, to allow students time to study. This is far too much to handle, something needs to change.

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Collor
Daily Post Staffer

National Honor Society not teaching honor or honesty

I was recently home on a Friday afternoon and I got a chance to watch "The Leeza Gibbons Show," or whatever it is. She was doing what she calls the "Friday Buzz." I think it was a repeat, but I can't be certain enough to go on record with that. I can go on record saying that the show brought up a story of injustice and discrimination that really ticked me off.

Last summer two students in Kentucky were denied admission to the National Honor Society. They had the grades, were acknowledged leaders at the school and they volunteered their time to the community through service projects. They met three of the four criteria for selection into the NHS according to the NHS web page. What kept them out was their character.

You see, the two students were teenaged, unwed mothers. The school board upheld the decision to keep them out of NHS saying that there was "no violation of the admission criteria or district procedures against discrimination."

But the admission criteria says "the student of good character upholds principles of morality and ethics, is cooperative, demonstrates high standards of



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honesty and reliability, shows courtesy, concern and respect for others and generally maintains a good and clean lifestyle."

It would seem that Somer Chipman and Chasity Glass uphold those values. They decided

wrecked the family car, let alone that they are pregnant? And these girls still made grades high enough to make it into the NHS.

Most students never accomplish such scholastic achievements and many teenage moth-

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to keep their children while many other teenagers would have avoided the hassle of being a mother and a high school student. They gave birth, are raising a child and have kept their grades up. That should have made them shoe-ins for the NHS.

The National Honor Society should be proud to have them as members.

They took responsibility for their actions. How many 17-year-olds can't even admit they

ers drop out of school to raise their children. What Chipman and Glass have done is awesome and awe-inspiring. They should be praised, not chastised.

And the schoolboard maintains that they were not discriminated against. Let's see. Do you think that boys would be kept out of NHS for being parents? They aren't going to own up to fathering a child out of wedlock now. The NHS has given teenage boys another reason not to take responsibility for their actions.

NHS has said "if you are a teenage parent, you can't be in NHS." Membership in the organization could mean scholarships and admittance to better schools. No one would purposely give that up.

So boys are being discouraged from owning up and are, in turn, not being discriminated against. Only girls are being hurt by this ruling. The school board is wrong. They have discriminated against Chipman and Glass.

These girls are honorable. They are more honorable because of their parental status. They are standing up to the discrimination and filed a suit against the school board.

They have proven that teenagers can be responsible by choosing to have their babies and to stay in school.

Their lives cannot be easy and this controversy has only made their lives harder. It is a shame that high school students are being encouraged to be irresponsible by the one organization that should be teaching them how to be honorable.

But Chipman and Glass don't need the National Honor Society to teach them anything. In fact, the girls have something to teach NHS. True honor comes from within.



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Your Opinion

Organized trip to championship game would make it more fun

Editor:

Alright I'm gonna knock on wood for this one. I have a very strong feeling that GSU Eagle Football is going all the way. Now we have the homefield advantage throughout the play-offs, but the championship (correct me if I'm wrong) is in Knoxville [Editor's note: close, but it is in Chattanooga].

The point that I'm trying to make is that it's not going to be here at Paulson Stadium.

Fan support has been continuously growing for our GSU Eagles, even at the away games. I feel that the away game support has been largely influenced by different campus organizations chartering busses and getting involved with Eagle Football.

I remember when the staff and members of Eagle Court sponsored a trip to the Citadel's game; the fan support was outstanding!

I also recall Student government chartering a bus. I realize that the championship game will fall on the Saturday beginning

winter break and many students may have already begun to disappear from the Statesboro area, but many students here and in the surrounding areas would flock to the opportunity of an organized trip to watch the Eagles win their next National Championship (or any game for that matter).

Possible departures from Columbus, Statesboro, Savannah, Macon, Augusta and Atlanta would cover a large portion of GSU students.

Then the students would not have to come back to the 'Boro and then turn around and go home for the holidays! (like we did during Thanksgiving) We the students of Georgia Southern University have much love for our teams and we will support them.

It's just much easier and a lot more fun (not to mention the cost factor) with 40-50 fans on one bus than 2-4 fans in a car. Let's do this. Every thing is EVERYTHANG!

Jesus Furqan
GSU sophomore

Honduras relief effort will continue

Editor:

Now that everyone is back from Thanksgiving, I would like to update and clarify a few issues related to the Honduran Relief Effort. As a person who has worked with international students for a number of years, let me say that I am fully aware that there have been many disasters around the world recently.

Why are we concentrating on Honduras? Hurricane Georges devastated many islands in Caribbean, Andrew hit south Florida hard, Hugo did the same in the Carolinas, but Hurricane Mitch (the worst storm on record) had a catastrophic effect on Central America, especially Honduras.

When the storms hit the U.S., we had resources to send to those areas, but all of Honduras has been affected. They are helpless and we have 14 Honduran students at Georgia Southern frustrated by not being able to help at home.

These are the reasons are directing our efforts so specifically. Just before Thanksgiving, CICS (Community Improvement Club for Students) forwarded checks totalling over \$5,000 to the International Red Cross and Catho-

lic Relief Services. We also carried 32 boxes of food and clothing and five boxes of new tools donated by Cooper Tools to the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Springfield which is sending them by boat directly to the people in Honduras. This Relief Effort will be needed for a long time!

There will not be a harvest until next summer. The people are hungry, they need medical attention, and cleaning and rebuilding must be done. Before we go home for the holidays, CICS will send any more money and donations we receive.

You may make checks payable to CICS and designate the organization and area (even if it is not Honduras) where you wish them to be sent or you may make checks directly payable to the Red Cross or Catholic Relief Services. Our goal is \$50,000 by the end of this academic year. There are several events being planned, so that we may give of our abundance.

For it is through giving that we receive blessing.

June Spencer
Assistant Professor/ESL Writing and Linguistics

'T'was the Night Before Finals'

'Twas the night before finals,
And all through the college,
The students were praying
For last minute knowledge.

Most were quite sleepy,
But none touched their beds,
While visions of essays
Danced in their heads.

Out in the taverns,
A few were still drinking,
And hoping that liquor
Would loosen up their thinking.

In my own apartment,
I had been pacing,
And dreading the exams
I soon would be facing.

My roommate was speechless,
His nose in his books,
And my comments to him
Drew unfriendly looks.

I drained all the coffee,
And brewed a new pot,
No longer caring
That my nerves were shot.

I stared at my notes,
But my thoughts were muddy,
My eyes went ablur,
I just couldn't study.

"Some pizza might help,"
I said with a shiver,
But each place I called
Refused to deliver.

I'd nearly concluded
That life was too cruel,
With futures depending
On grades had in school.

When all of a sudden,
Our door opened wide,
And Patron Saint Put It Off
Made her way inside.

Her spirit was careless,
Her manner was mellow,
With a beer in her hand
She started to bellow:

"What kind of student
Would make such a fuss,
To toss back at teachers
What they tossed at us?"

"On Cliff Notes! On Crib Notes!
On Last Year's Exams!
On Wingit and Slingit,
And Last Minute Crams!"

Her message delivered,
She vanished from sight,
But we heard her laughing
Outside in the night.

"Your teachers have pegged you,
So just do your best.
Happy Finals to All,
And to All, a good test."

—from an email

COLLEGE OPINIONS

X-mas devours the true spirit and meaning of Christmas

By Kb Hallmark

The Daily University Star (Southwest Texas State U.)

(U-WIRE) SAN MARCOS, Texas — Bah humbug. The wonderful holiday of Christmas is here and also the evil time of year that I can refer to in many ways, but we'll just call it X-mas for now.

I reckon definitions are in order here. Christmas — birth of Jesus, celebration of family; X-mas — overpriced consumer-driven frenzy induced by corporate idiots.

In short, Christmas — good, X-mas — bad.

Christmas season starts in December. X-mas, on the other hand, starts in October. If you don't believe me, Wal-Mart, that wonderful merchant of all that is good, had its X-mas crap out on the floors before Halloween.

X-mas takes on an even worse turn after Thanksgiving. Those wonderful businessmen/hyenas turn their efforts into high gear and make everyone in the world know just exactly how many nanoseconds are left in the shopping season.

Santa Clauses pop up everywhere, causing undue stress and grief to children throughout the world. You can just imagine the little urchin in line waiting his turn to tell Santy that he wants a new Twisty Kitty for X-mas. "Let's see now," muses little Bobby. "I didn't take anyone hostage this year, but there was that grand theft auto ... hmmm. Yeah, I've been a good boy this year, Santy!"

I hope parents are being somewhat choosy about the Santas they bring their children to. You certainly wouldn't want your kids to jump into a complete stranger's lap and tell him what they really want for Christmas.

My parents took me to see Santa every year. If I had only been old enough to appreciate Santa's little helpers. You know, the ones who would make Pamela

Anderson look flat-chested, parading around in Christmas outfits that would embarrass an exotic dancer. As it was, I was too busy trying to remember which Go-Bot I wanted, and how I was going to explain that fire that just "happened on its own."

Good ol' St. Nick will show up in other places as well. I'm sure some enterprising liquor store will have one: "Gee Santa, all I really want for Christmas is a

did the singing, but I would have rather listened to the Hanson brothers getting ripped to pieces by rabid wolverines.

Oh, wait, I would enjoy that. It's going to get worse, too. All of that holiday cheery music will start infiltrating regular stations until finally, on Christmas Day, you find yourself listening to Korn singing "I'll Be Home for Christmas," followed by the Primus version of "Rudolph the

ENTIRE HERDS OF THESE ANIMALS THUNDER THROUGH THE MALLS IN SEARCH OF THE LAST FURBY. GOD HAVE PITY ON THOSE POOR SOULS WHO ARE CAUGHT IN BETWEEN THE SHOPPERS AND THE FURBIES.

keg of Budweiser!"

Public stores aren't safe to be in anytime after Thanksgiving.

To start off with, you have the lunatic pack of shoppers. Entire herds of these animals thunder through the malls in search of the last Furby. God have pity on those poor souls who are caught in between the shoppers and the Furbies.

You think the soccer riots are bad; you haven't see the herds in action. If the janitor's lucky that day, all he'll find is a foot or a hand.

You can't go into any store without being bombarded by X-mas sales and lousy X-mas music everywhere. You know the kind — some washed-up artist doing a song that everyone found cute the first two times they heard it and now find themselves wishing for explosives every time it's played.

I was in my favorite store, yes that wonderful Wal-Mart, looking for a box of ammunition for my new Christmas gun (nothing like a handgun to get you into the holiday cheer) and was brutally subjected to X-mas music that I wouldn't even wish on my worst enemies. I don't know who

Red-Nosed Reindeer."

Television is not immune to this infestation either. Your shows will start doing X-mas specials, no matter what they are, every other week.

You can just see the commercial for Monday Night Nitro, with Santa "The North Pole Mad Dawg" Claus going into a cage match against Frosty "The Invincible" Snowman. It's enough to make you want to crawl under a rock until February.

People start acting funny around this time of year. I think it's called nice, but I'm not really sure. All I know is that it really disturbs me when I'm minding my own business flipping through a *Guns and Ammo* and some complete stranger throws his arm around me and starts

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telling me how steroids shrink penises.

If that's part of the holiday cheer, count me out, you sicko perverts.

I'm sorry. I'm used to rude idiots, not false, nice idiots.

Christmas day comes as a complete shock. The sales are over, but you still have to deal with every radio station playing the sappiest version of "I'll Be Home for Christmas" that they have lying around.

This gets pretty annoying when you're 1,000 miles away from home and working on Christmas day knowing that your Christmas dinner is going to be a pot of chili cooked in a coffee can and a case of Old Milwaukee.

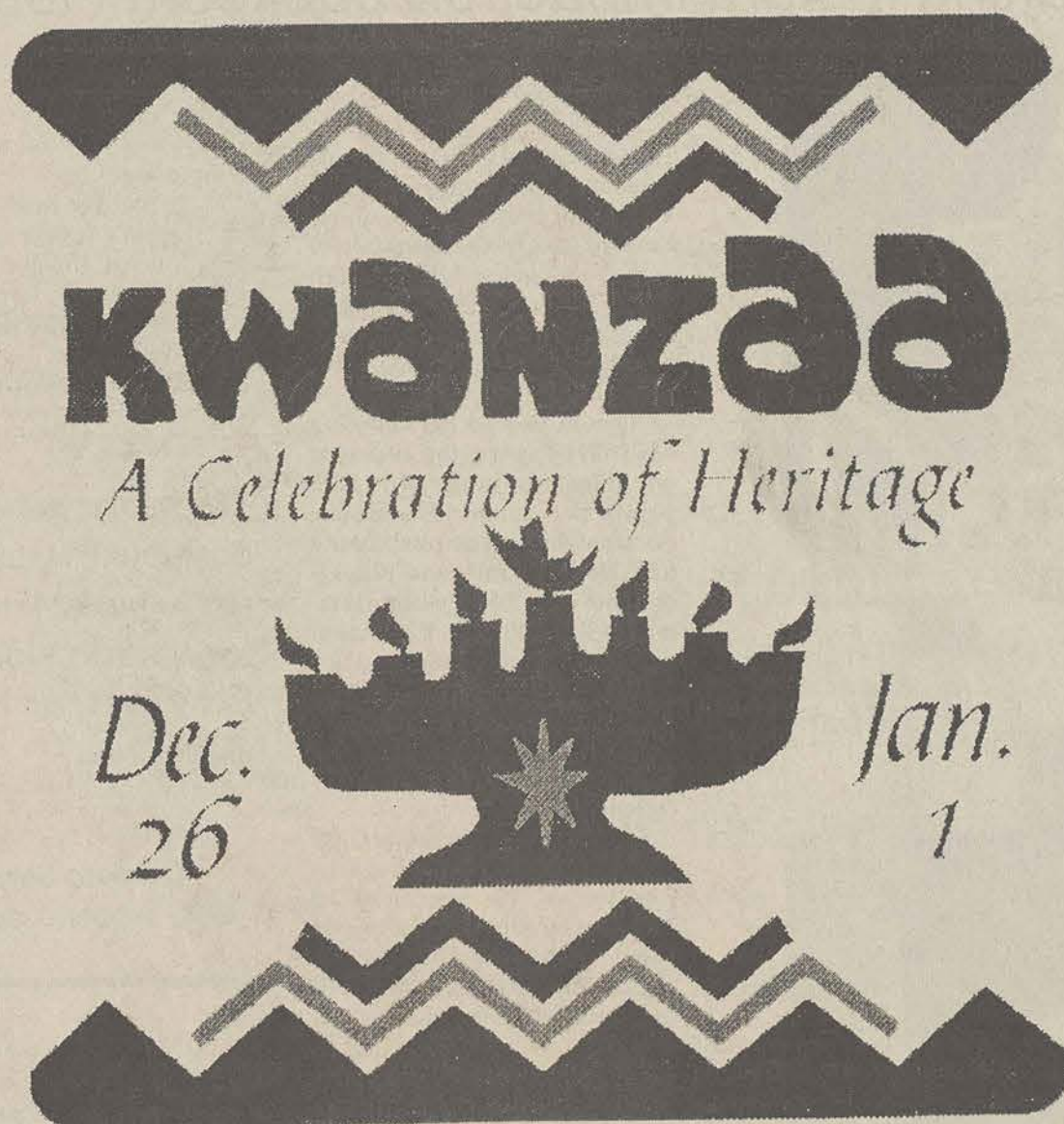
This may be the only time I feel anything for our Watchtower-totin' friends, but you have really got to pity the Jehovah's Witnesses this time of year. They don't even celebrate Christmas, yet they still have to be subjected to all of the commercialization that takes place.

I believe in Christmas, yet still get sickened by what our greed has turned it into. Christmas should be about celebrating with family, not seeing who can rack up the highest set of bills in search of the right present for Aunt Hilda's veterinarian.

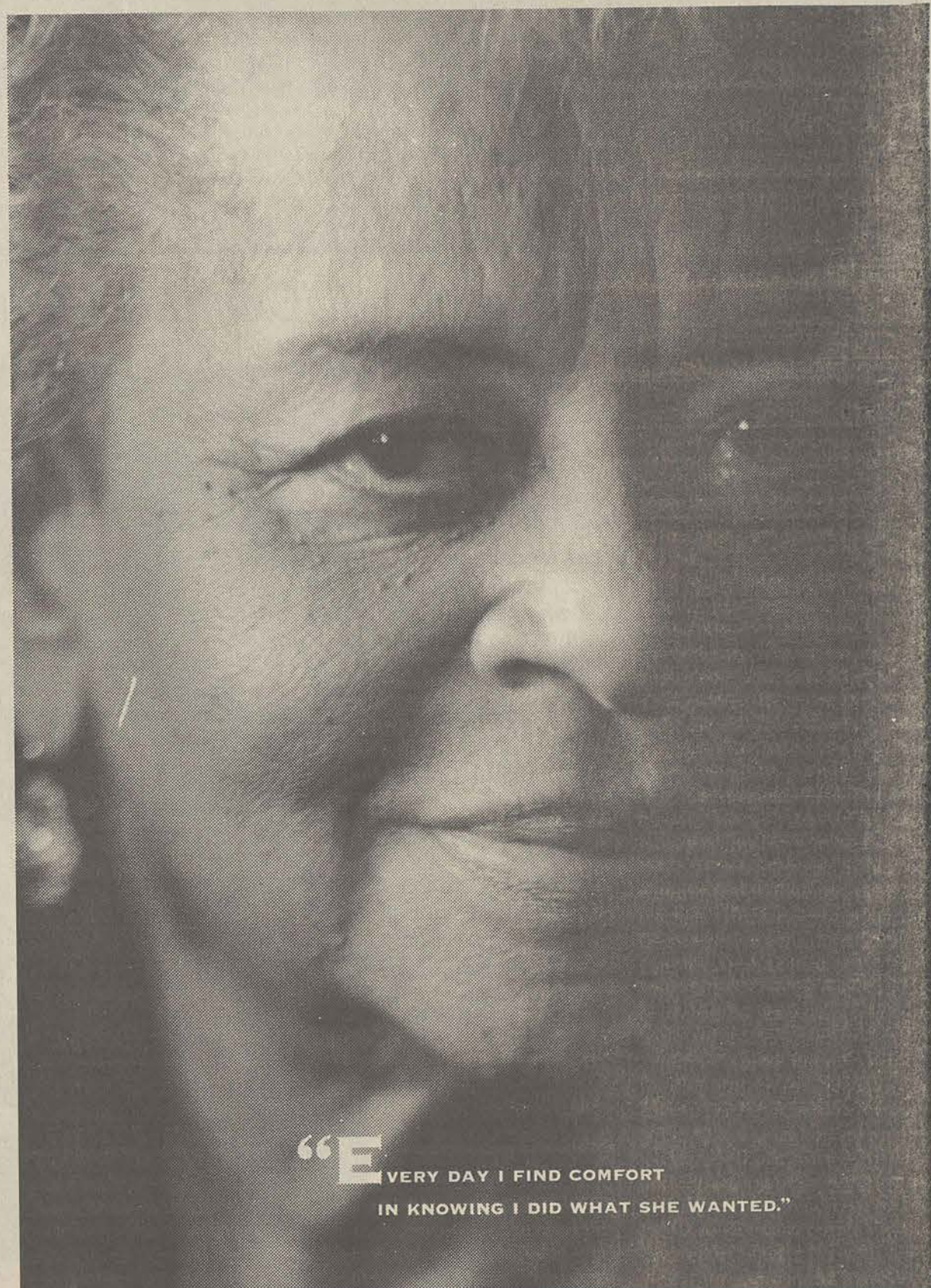
This holiday season, take some time out, and try to remember the true reason we are running around looking for the best gift in the world. Maybe we'll realize that our families and friends can sometimes be the best gifts of all.

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What is a slotback?

Most football teams line up in a basic offense set that consists of the quarterback, fullback, tailback and two wide receivers. But when you go to a GSU football game and take a quick glance at the roster, you realize that something is missing. Where's the tailback? Instead what you will find is a player designated with the title 'slotback'. Now wait a minute. What's a slotback?

You see them lined up as a pair on both sides of the quarterback. They take pitches on the outside corners and speed down the sidelines for a first down. They also catch a couple of catches. But what exactly are they?

They're not tailbacks, because they don't line up in the backfield behind the fullback. And even though they look like wide receivers in certain different formations of the spread offensive set, they can't be classified as wide receivers either. The role of a wide receiver on most teams is to go deep and catch long passes, or cross over the middle of the field for a short pass on third down. A wide receiver's primary duties, even on a team that runs the option, does not include taking pitches behind the line of scrimmage and running upfield.

So, I decided to call up one of the Eagle slotbacks to help me solve this most important puzzle. I talked to Bennie Cunningham, one of the starting slotbacks on the football team. He broke me off some knowledge on what a slotback on the Eagle football team is.

"It's both a receiver and a runningback at the same time," Bennie told me. "In most offenses that teams run, the inside receiver is called the slot receiver. And since we're both a receiver and a runningback, that's why we're called slotbacks."

Let me get this straight. A slotback is not a running-back nor a wide receiver. It's both. Somehow, I still find myself confused. Obviously, the slotback has also been a very confusing position to understand for I-AA defenses faced with the challenge of stopping GSU's powerful spread option attack.

"It's sort of hard to defend because we can do so many things," Bennie said. "We can run, we block, and we go out and run passing routes. And we come at you so fast, it's just real hard to stop."

The Connecticut Husky defense found out the hard way what a slotback is last Saturday. Connecticut was so concerned in trying to stop Greg Hill and Adrian Peterson (which they did not do by the way), Bennie torched the Huskies with 121 yards and one touchdown, off only 12 carries.

So there you have it. A slotback is both a wide receiver and a runningback combined into one position. Still confused? Don't feel bad. Most defenses who faced GSU's offense this year are just as confused.

Eagles evict UTC out of Hanner

By Reginald M. Farrell
Assistant Sports Editor

After a dismal two losses suffered at the Money Store tournament in Miami, Fla., the Eagles returned home to find a package waiting for them on their doorstep. Linger inside would be the UTC Mocs, GSU's first conference opponent of the year. And GSU, being the gracious hosts that they are, extended the utmost hospitality by whipping them 72-55 Thursday night at Hanner Fieldhouse to remain undefeated at home. With the win, the Eagles improved to 4-3 on the year and 1-0 in the SoCon.

In the first half of play, the Eagles would get off to a cold start on offense as UTC scored the first two baskets of the game off jumpers by Wes Moore and Idris Harper to take a 4-0 lead. From there, UTC continued to dominate the game partly due to an excellent showing by UTC forward David Phillips, who led all scorers with a stellar 16 point encore performance off of six-for-eight shooting.

However, the Eagles refused to back down. With 12:54 remaining in the contest, Eagle forward Edward Keith cashed in on a dunk opportunity off a Fernando Daniel miss to trim the lead to three, 12-9. Nevertheless, the Mocs pushed even harder, building an eight point lead 10:24 into the contest, 20-12.

"I think Chattanooga is a team our guys respect," said Eagle head coach Gregg Polinsky. "I think they (GSU) used them as a measuring stick in this league."

At the 10:00 mark, the Eagles unleashed the beast with a 12-0 run to claim their

first lead of the game, 24-20, after that the Eagles never looked back, outscoring UTC 12-8. And with 8.8 seconds left DeMarlo Slocum connected his second three pointer of the period to give GSU a 36-28 advantage at half-time.

In round two, the Eagles opened up with a 7-2 flurry to jump out in front 43-30. In fact, GSU never trailed the entire half. But it wouldn't stop there. GSU point guard Fernando Daniel would come to life, going a perfect three-for-three from downtown to give him 14 points on the night. Quentin Martin torched the UTC defense for 12 points and DeMarlo Slocum and Cedric McGinnis dished out 11 and 10 points respectively to lead the offensive attack.

With 5:25 to go in the game Edward Keith slammed home another two of his eight points, courtesy of a Donta Humphries assist, to go ahead by 17 points, 60-43.

The team's doing well," said Cedric McGinnis of his team mates. "The young guys have been playing well and stepping it up on offense."

And step it up they did. By the time the game ticked down to 33.4 seconds, the Eagles had established a commanding 21 point margin, 71-50.

After being on the receiving end of GSU's scoring barrage, UTC was out for the count. The loss dropped them to 1-4 on the year and 0-1 in the SoCon.

"It feels great," said Eagle guard Quentin Martin on the victory. "It's a big win for us, especially since it was in the conference. From here we'll have to take each game in stride and go from there."



Cory Brooks

IT'S TIME FOR THE LANDLORD TO COLLECT! The GSU men's basketball team showed UT-Chattanooga that they own the lease to Hanner Fieldhouse in their 72-55 blowout win at home. The Eagles gave the Mocs their final eviction notice last Thursday night, and are currently 3-0 at home so far this season.

Las Vegas JUCO transfer making instant impact on basketball team

By Anthony Williams
Staff Writer

Surrounded by bright lights, casinos, and living in a city known for gambling, Demarlo Slocum caught the attention of many colleges while in high school. Slocum, the Las Vegas native, isn't known for shooting craps, yet he is famous for shooting basketballs.

Slocum proved his shooting abilities by averaging 19 points per game as a junior, and 28.5 points per game as a senior. Some of his accomplishments are: Nevada Gatorade Player-of-the-Year, Blue Chip Illustrated Top 100 pick, First team all-state candidate, and 14 three pointers in one game.

But why did he chose GSU? "The coaches were there for me," Slocum said. "I liked this college the best."

Demarlo transferred to GSU from Dixie Junior College in Las Vegas. He averaged 10 points and three assists per game for the Dixie Rebels that completed 1997-98 ranked fifth in the nation among junior colleges.

A long way from home, Slocum seems to like GSU. "The people in the community made me feel at home," he said. "It is a lot different from Las Vegas, but I am having fun."

In his first season for the Eagles, Slocum, a 6-1 guard, averages 9.7 points per game, but the season is just now getting started. Slocum has big goals this year.

"I give my all to the team,"

he said. "As a team, I think that our goal is to go the tournament and win the national championship."

Many people might think that Slocum's role is to be the lethal 3-point shooter for the Eagles. As a result, he believes that his role for the Eagles is to play defense.

"My role is to play hard defense and make great shots,"

"THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY MADE ME FEEL AT HOME. IT IS A LOT DIFFERENT FROM LAS VEGAS, BUT I AM HAVING FUN."

**—DEMARLO SLOCUM,
GSU SHOOTING GUARD**

he said. "I look forward to playing defense."

Slocum made his presence felt in the first conference game last Thursday. In the first half versus Chattanooga, Slocum scored eight points and shot 2-4 from beyond the arc.

He finished the game with 11 points and four assists to help the Eagles defeat Chattanooga.

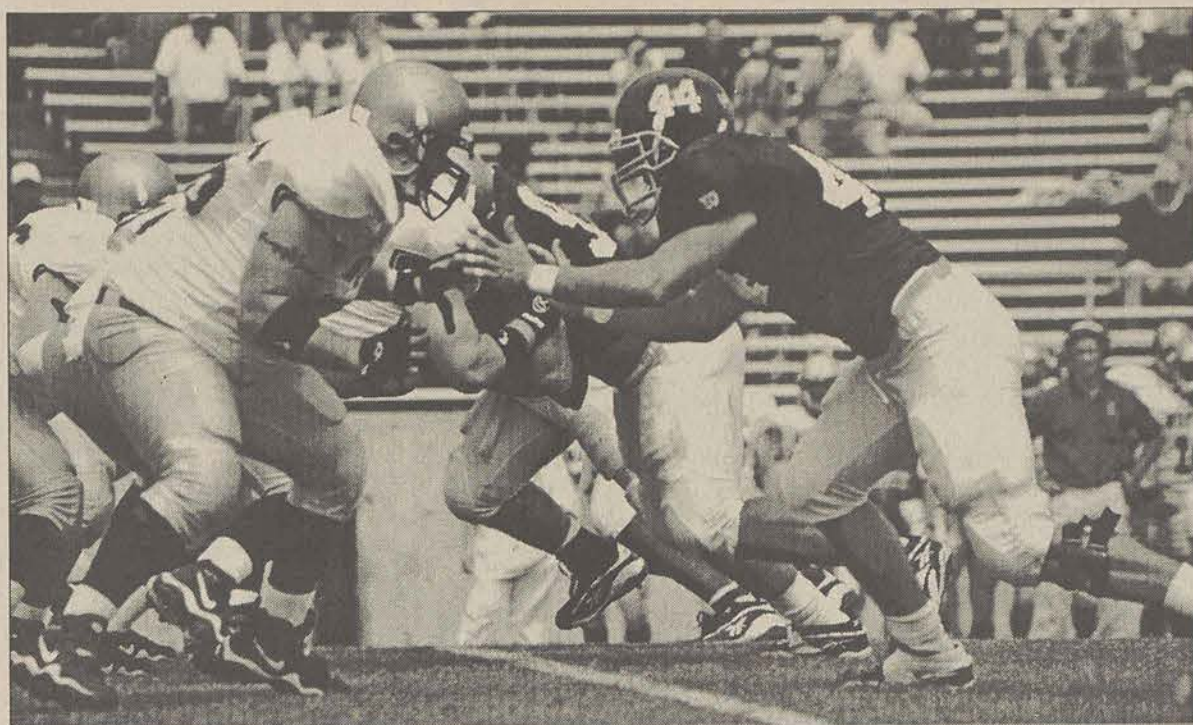
GSU's next game at Hanner Fieldhouse will be Saturday

DEMARLO SLOCUM, a junior college transfer from Las Vegas, provides the Eagles with another offensive threat from behind the three-point line. In GSU's 72-55 blowout win over Tennessee-Chattanooga last Thursday night, Slocum contributed 11 points and three assists. The GSU men's basketball team next home game will be Saturday night vs. Austin Peay at 7 p.m.



Cory Brooks





Cory Brooks

TRENCH WARFARE: Eagle defensive end Benjy Harris engages in hand-to-hand combat with an offensive lineman. Harris, a UGA transfer, is one of the leading tacklers on the undefeated GSU football team.

Harris a key factor on Defensive line

By Reginald M. Farrell
Assistant Sports Editor

Remember back in kindergarten when teachers stressed the importance of looking both ways before crossing the street? Well, it's too bad they never emphasized that the same principle applies in football, because you never know when you might get hit by a truck with the number 44 on the license plate and Benjy Harris in the driver's seat.

In his two years as an Eagle, Harris has become one of the most prominent defensive players for GSU. In fact, he recovered a fumble in the first quarter of GSU's quarterfinal game against Connecticut which led to the Eagles' first touchdown 1:16 later.

"That's two games in a row, I don't know what's happening," said Harris. "Any time we can force them to cough up the ball and give it to our offense to run it in for a quick score, it is a great feeling."

Harris also contributed with three tackles which gives him a total of 83 stops on the year, fourth on the team.

This year, he has started in all 13 games and is second among the Eagles in sacks with 8.5 per game.

Even more impressive, Harris has already tallied two nine-tackle games, the first against the Citadel and the other versus Chattanooga.

In addition, the Eagle defensive end has led the team in tackles for a loss in both the Jacksonville State game and the East Tennessee State game with three each.

In high school, Harris was a first-team *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* AA All-State selection as a quarterback in 1993, passing for 1,600 yards and eight touchdowns. Moreover, he has won additional letters in basketball (four), track (two) and baseball (one).

Not to mention, he graduated ninth in his class at

Brantley County High School.

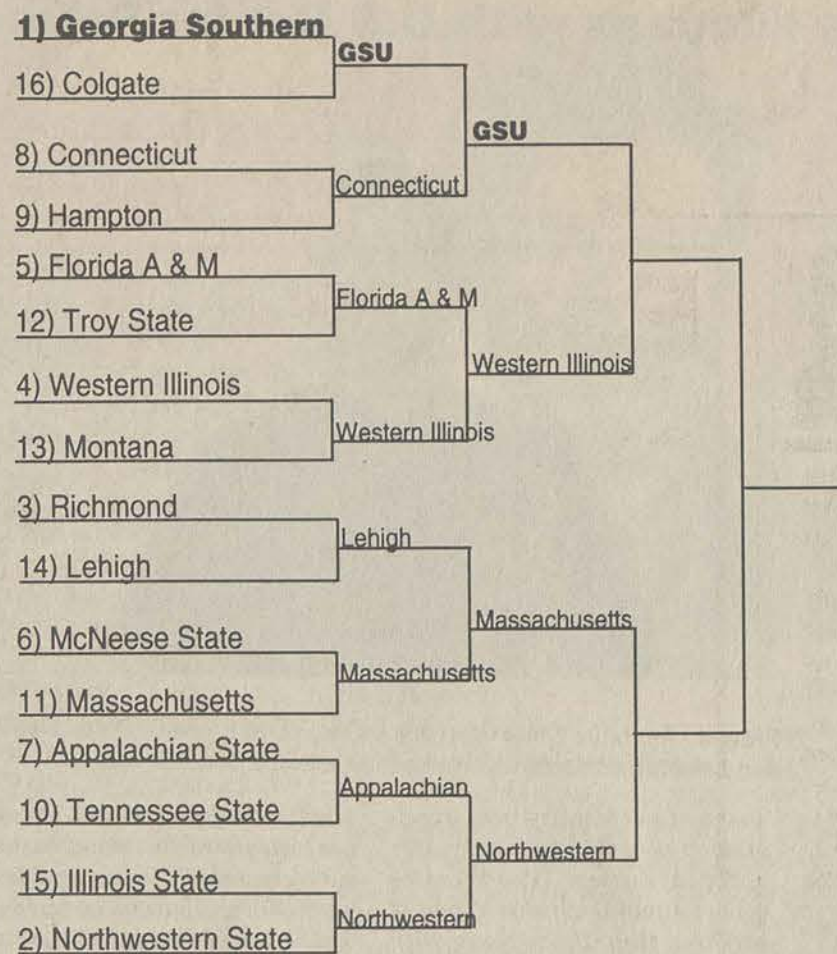
Before coming to GSU, Harris joined the Georgia Bulldog program where he was redshirted as a walk-on.

"THERE'S NO FEELING LIKE IT (PLAYING AT GSU). I'D GIVE UP EVERYTHING I GAVE UP AGAIN TO COME BACK DOWN HERE."

--BENJY HARRIS, GSU DEFENSIVE END

"I decided to come down here," said Harris after his experience at UGA. "There's no feeling like it (playing at GSU). I'd give up everything I gave up again to come back down here."

NCAA I-AA Football Playoff Brackets



Eagle Football Notebook

THE PETERSON EXPRESS JUST KEEPS ON ROLLING: Peterson's performance against UConn on Saturday was his 6th consecutive 200-yard rushing game. Peterson also has 13 consecutive 100-yard games.

TRIPLE OPTION ATTACK IN FULL EFFECT: In GSU's game versus UConn, the Eagles had three offensive backs to rush over 100 yards, the last time this feat was accomplished was in December 13, 1986.

CAN ANYBODY STOP PETERSON? Adrian Peterson's 232 rushing yards versus the Huskies was his career high, his last career high was against the Citadel.

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DEFENSE STILL GIVING UP FIRST HALF POINTS: UConn's 24 points in the first half were the most points scored by a GSU opponent in the first half.

NOBODY BEATS US IN STATESBORO! GSU's win over UConn improves their home playoff record to 19-0. The Eagles have compiled a 24-5 overall record in the I-AA playoffs.

BACK IN THE FINAL FOUR: The Eagles' win over UConn Saturday is their first quarterfinal win since 1990.

BREAKING OFF THAT KNOWLEDGE: A total of six players on GSU's current roster carry a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or better: DT Voncellies Allen (3.57/ Chemistry), PK Chris Chambers (3.77/Biology), DE Benjy Harris (3.34/Biology), PK Chris Kelly (3.77/Biology), LB Josh Smithers (3.02/Health and Physical Education), and C Matt Winslette (3.06/Health and Physical Education).

FIRST DOWN YARDAGE: The Eagles have gained exactly 2,995 yards and scored 24 touchdowns on 388 first down plays this season—an average of 7.7 yards.

—compiled by Reginald M. Farrell

The Academic Corner

FALL SEMESTER 1998

- Dec. 9 Early registration fee payment deadline for Spring
- 11 Last day of classes
- 14-18 Examinations for regular day classes
- 19 Residence Halls close at 10 a.m., except for graduating students
- 19 Graduation
- 21 Holidays for students begin
- 21-25 Administrative offices will be closed

SPRING SEMESTER 1999

- January 1 New Years Day, administrative offices will be closed, no classes.
- 3 Residence Hall check-in 1 p.m.
- 4 New Student Orientation and Advisement, Russell Union. Check-in begins at 7:30 a.m. New Student Registration, Williams Center, 11 a.m. Final Registration for former students, Williams Center, 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.
- 5 Drop/Add 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 6 Classes begin
- 6-8, 11 Schedule Adjustment, Williams Ctr., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for Spring Semester 1999

Final Exam Schedule

- One credit hour classes will have their exams on the last scheduled day of classes.
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ALUMNI PROFILE

Alumnus finds success with U.S Border Patrol

By Cherlea Dorsey
Staff Writer

Attention all GSU students! Don't give up on yourselves just yet. After graduation, there is still hope for you to find a job that you love that is within your field.

Chris Gale, an alumnus of GSU, is a living example that GSU students can get a job and actually enjoy what they do.

Unlike many GSU students, Gale was not able to participate in his graduation due to his acceptance in the academy of U.S. Border Patrol Training.

Gale learned about the job from his professor at the time, Dr. Richards, a Spanish instructor at GSU.

The U.S. Border Patrol is subsidiary to U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. All Border Patrol agents are required to complete a one-year probationary period along with attending U.S. Border Patrol Training in Glance, Ga., or Charleston, S.C. Gale successfully completed the academy in Charleston which is close to his home in Savannah. The U.S. Border Patrol has agents working along the U.S. borders between ports of entry with Canada and Mexico.

As a U.S. Border Patrol agent, Gale is required to capture illegal aliens and prevent narcotics from entering the United States.

There were several reasons why Gale decided to become a U.S. Border Patrol agent, but what inspired him the most was knowing that he would not be a victim of a desk job.

"I did not want a job behind a desk," Gale said. "I wanted a job that was unique and different with a little bit of action."

Gale successfully completed a 20-week course training in Spanish, law, firearms, tactics and rough-terrain driving. The Spanish language course was taught daily for three hours to help students learn and speak Spanish fluently. The law course con-



Special Photo

Freeze: Alumnus Chris Gale enjoys his job at the U.S. Patrol Board and believes students can make their dreams become reality.

sisted of nationality law, immigration law, statutory authority and criminal law. The firearms course taught various types of shooting techniques along with quick-point and instinctive-reaction shooting. The driving program showed students the proper way to operate patrol vehicles and learn safety precautions while they are in the field under harsh circumstances.

In order to participate in the training course, participants are required to be a U.S. citizen, have a bachelor's degree or they can have a year of qualifying experience, must not have reached their 37th birthday, they must learn and read Spanish, pass a background investigation, along with passing drug and medical tests.

Throughout the 20-weeks of intensive training, quitting was never a thought that entered Gale's mind.

"I had it pretty good during the program because I was close to home," Gale said, "I was able to drive home when I wanted, but many of the other people were not able to go home at all because they were from places as far as New York."

Gale began his career as a patrol

agent in September and already has highlights of his career that he is very proud of. Gale was able to jump 20 illegal aliens on his own and he helped prevent 100 pounds of marijuana from entering the United States.

"I enjoy this job so much because it is a big adrenaline boost," Gale said. "It's like a professional game of hide and seek."

Gale's lifetime dream was not to become a patrol agent but to do what he really enjoys which is speaking Spanish and spending time outside.

"I have always loved the outdoors and I really like Spanish," Gale said. "The job is perfect for me because the two go hand in hand."

Gale gave a tremendous amount of advice to upcoming graduates and all students who attend GSU.

Gale said, "First of all, don't panic when you are getting close to graduation. There are tons of jobs out there, you just got to go and find them."

"I was fortunate to find a job that I love to do," Gale said. "There are tons of company's looking for people with degrees, all you have to do is stick with it and work hard."

How to find the perfect mate

By Laura Gowan
Guest Writer

One goes through life searching for their significant other. They worry about their future and wonder if they will end up in a nursing home playing bingo still waiting for the right one to come along.

It's been said that there is someone out there for everyone, but the problem is finding them. This journey is not an easy one. In fact, for some it is so discouraging that they almost lose hope and think it would be easier to just give up.

Don't throw in the white flag just yet. There may be new insight on ways to snag that certain someone.

Prince Charming may have traded in his white horse for a white truck, but that doesn't mean he has given up his romantic air.

He could be right under your nose. Maybe, you just haven't noticed him yet. He could be the nice quiet guy you work with or your neighbor who always seems to come knocking to borrow your egg beater.

There are plenty of guys out there just waiting to sweep a girl off her feet. They, like many girls, may have had their hearts broken.

Yes, they too have their periods of sadness. Therefore, one must be careful when starting a new relationship. They are probably wary of a woman who promises them the world. So, give them a chance to get to

know you before you expect a commitment.

For all you fellows, Miss Right is not unattainable. You just have to know what your looking for. For Michael Hibbards, a senior at GSU, a woman with brains and good values is a turn on to him.

"I want an intelligent woman with good morals. Someone who will appreciate me for who I am," Hibbards said. Sometimes, the problem might be that you are looking in all the wrong places.

Hibbards offers a suggestion on where to find this woman of your dreams.

"Stop looking for someone at your local bar and start looking for someone on a personal basis," he said.

Some of the most loving relationships have started out as just friends. The girl next door could have more to offer than you think.

Tradition may be the key that unlocks the door to the hearts of some people.

For Denim Gliemmo, a senior at GSU, chivalry is what she likes in a man. "That's what I look for in a guy," Gliemmo said.

Brittany Cason, a junior, said she is attracted to guys who offer to hold the door and walk her to her door after a date.

"It's a bonus plus now-a-days for a guy to do that," she says. With some manners and wooing, a guy has a good chance of making a lasting impression.

Others may lean toward the more creative type. For example, Hibbards has a few ideas of his

own. "You can have an awesome date by taking advantage of open events, such as, Shakespeare in the park in Savannah, Ga." This outside event offers free entertainment and is a good way to spend quality time together.

Sometimes, a good home cooked dinner might do the trick.

"I would love to cook dinner for a girl," Hibbards said. This is a great idea for an inexpensive date. It also makes for a familiar atmosphere which usually helps on first dates.

Like mother always said honesty is always the best policy. For these girls, a guy with an honest outlook is a definite plus in their book.

"I think that there are a lot of girls that want the straight forward honesty," Cason said. She also offers a piece of advice from her past experiences.

"Don't play mind games." If you go ahead and express what you're looking for in the beginning, it usually helps in the long run. Therefore, there are no mixed signals and hearts are less likely to break.

The love of your life is not as hard to find as you may think. They may be waiting for you to make the move. Some of these tips could send you well on your way to finding your mate. So, saddle up and hop on the dating express. If you make the right moves, there's a good chance they will deliver.

NEWS AROUND THE COUNTRY

West Virginians join nation in Furby frenzy

The Associated Press

Yvonne Stewart is embracing the chance to test her Furby's value on the black market.

It doesn't weigh heavily on her conscience because she's giving the money to the Salvation Army.

"I can tell you I did not stand in a long line for this Furby," Stewart, of Buckhannon, W. Va., said.

"I bought it for a relative, but they already got one, so I thought it would be nice to help an organization and get rid of a Furby."

The highest bid as of late last Friday was \$75, but bids will be accepted until Dec. 15 at her stores, Main Street Antiques and Thompson Pharmacy.

For now, the Furby remains locked in a glass display case.

"Everybody is coming in a looking at it," store manager Lisa

Wilson, said. "People want to know what it is at first."

Dozens of people were clamoring to fill out raffle tickets for Furby's at the Wal-Mart in Nitro last Friday.

That's where Michael Wheeler's shopping plans took and unexpected turn for the Furby frenzy.

Not knowing what the toy was, he looked on curiously as parents and grandparents eyed the fuzzy toys that workers rolled out from the stock room.

Wheeler was quickly educated about the tiny talking toy and dropped his name into the box just before store manager John Petrovich drew 102 slips of paper.

Minutes later, his 7-month-old nephew, Michael Reines Jr., was drooling on the gray Furby his uncle had won the right to buy.

"The proud new owner of a Furby," Wheeler said.

The drawing was designed to prevent the stampedes that other stores have experienced when the hard-to-find doll arrives, Petrovich said.

Furby winks, talks, purrs, giggles, learns tricks and speaks "Furbish," its own language, until it learns English.

And the frenzy doesn't stop in Nitro; stores across the state have

been unable to keep up with demand.

"Furbies are really popular. We can't keep them in stock," Cheryl Boggs, a clerk at Hills Department Store in Clarksburg, said.

Kay Bee Toys in Meadowbrook Mall in Harrison County was having similar problems.

"It's the biggest toy seller," clerk George Ramsey said.

Furbies retail at \$29.99, but have been selling for at least \$200 on some Internet sites and as much as \$530 for a pack of six during one cyber-auction.

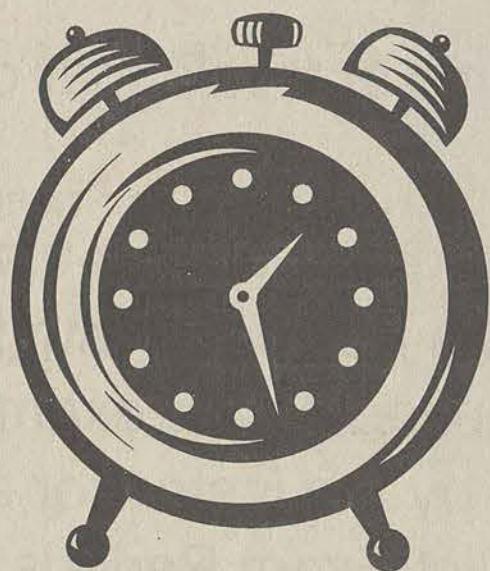
There have been stories of injuries and near-brawls breaking out as soon as the doll hits the shelves.

In Illinois, two women suffered minor injuries as shoppers stormed into a Wal-Mart. A store in Frackville, Pa., handed out tickets to those who stood in line hours before the store opened on Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving.

Four-year-old Shannon Lester of St. Albans, was disappointed when her name wasn't picked in the Wal-Mart drawing, she tried to explain the Furby phenomenon.

"They're cool because they recute and furry and they talk funny," she said.

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Tentative New Year's resolutions

A few weeks ago, while making copies for my staff writers at *The George-Anne*, I talked to the custodian.

We always talk and our conversations are usually about family or something interesting that we both think of.

Well, on this particular day he asked me, "Why don't you slow down. You always seem to be on the go." I looked at him strange and replied, "I can't slow down. I have a million and one things to do and so little time."

He then said that I should make time. After he said that I gave him a blank look and politely said goodbye.

While I was walking to my car, I started pondering on what he said to me.

Between stressing out over the billion things I have to do for class, attempting to maintain a carefree attitude about being one of the editors of the paper, deadlines, participating in organizations and volunteer work and (oh yeah) I have a boyfriend, I don't have time for myself.

But all of that is about to change. I've decided that one of my New Year's resolutions is to spend more quality time with myself.

However, I think I will start a little bit before New Year's Eve.

Aside from spending time with my family and friends at home, I am going to make an effort to go work-out, attempt to buy and start reading a new book, take long, hot bubble baths with a nice mellow cd and catch up on much needed sleep.

I think it's important to spend time with ourselves to escape from everyday stress.

It's essential to regroup and just have some time to clear our heads and reflect on goals and set new ones.

Don't get me wrong, I will not be a loner during the holidays, but I will make it top priority to spend quality time with myself.

I'm actually excited about holidays because I'm going to North Carolina to see family from California and Texas (I'm originally from Dallas, Tx.—Go Cowboy's). I advise all of you to try some techniques I am suggesting because it has been a stressful semester for all of us.

But I am optimistic that it will be a little better next semester.

My second New Year's resolution is to slow down in life. I think that if I waste my life stressing out over things I can't control, then I will give myself high-blood pressure.

I'm going to take time to breathe and let go of unnecessary stress. I am not going to overload my life with last minute class assignments and projects (it's nice to have dreams).

Making New Year's resolutions can be a waste of time (they have been for me), but I am confident that I can stick to these resolutions.

I hope you make some resolutions that you can stick to because they can help us all be more prosperous and successful next semester.

I hope everyone has a great holiday and enjoys it, 'til we meet again.

Southern company grows nationally

The Associated Press

In some circles, Duck Head pants are as much a Southern tradition as iced tea, grits or college football Saturdays.

"It sure is prevalent down here," Leigh Murphy, a professional fund-raiser in Charleston, S.C., said. "So I guess it is a Southern thing."

She said most guys she knew in her school days wore Duck Head pants while she and other young women bought them to make cutoff shorts. "That was just very common."

The brand, with its green-headed, yellow-billed logo, is familiar to lifelong Southerners. As a new advertising campaign reminds: "We were khakis before you were born unless you're 134 years old."

Now, the Southern icon is trying to flap its way into the thick of the highly competitive national apparel market. While still primarily a regional brand, Duck Head is expanding visibility via cyberspace with a World Wide Web site and on-line store.

"It's good exposure. You can go directly to the consumer with a strong message," Paul Robb, president and chief executive officer of the 133-year-old company based in Winder, said in north Georgia.

The company also uses high-tech automation to speed work in its distribution center and offers virtual reality software programs to help retailers track sales and manage floor space.

Robb, a veteran of pantsmakers Levi Strauss and Haggar Apparel, came to Duck Head three years ago with a mission to revitalize and expand the brand. Helped by placement in national retail chains such as J.C. Penney and Belk Stores, Duck Head sales have jumped from \$40 million to \$100 million a year.

"So it's already been a pretty strong turnaround," Robb said.

Its parent company, Delta Woodside Industries Inc. of Greenville, S.C., has put Duck Head on the sales block, saying it wanted to generate cash and predicting that Duck Head would do better nationally if it could be sold to a larger apparel company.

"With all the consolidation going on in retail, national brands are becoming increasingly important. And for Duck Head to be successful, it needs to become a national brand," E. Erwin Maddrey II, Delta Woodside's president and CEO, said when he announced

the possible sale in October.

Robb said he expects Duck Head to be sold "to one of the bigger apparel companies, which I see as positive" because they could use their apparel business infrastructure and know-how to keep building the brand.

The company has about 200 employees left in Winder, with most of its manufacturing now done overseas.

Duck Head dates to 1865, when brothers George and Joe O'Bryan founded a Nashville, Tenn., company dedicated to making rugged work clothes from a dense, closely woven cotton cloth called "duck."

Their trademarked Duck Head name soon became synonymous with khakis around the South, and millions of U.S. servicemen and women during World War II wore khakis made after the O'Bryans turned their plant over to the war effort.

But Robb said the company never pushed beyond its Southern base. Acquired by Delta Woodside in 1989 in the aftermath of the jeans explosion in America, Duck Head is now expanding amid the growth of "casual office attire" that has pushed the khaki industry to an estimated \$3 billion, led by such brands as Gap and Levi's Dockers.

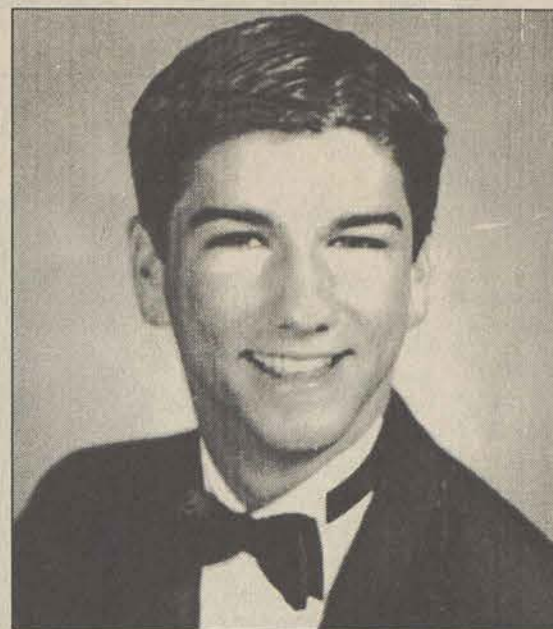
A branding survey conducted last summer by Atlanta's Kurt Salmon Associates and New York-based NPD Group found that 31 percent of male consumers nationally had heard of Duck Head and 12 percent had bought the brand, both strong national numbers for a mainly regional brand.

Robb also has expanded Duck Head licensing and its lines of women's wear, golf attire, school backpacks and "Duck Tucks," designed for schoolchildren who must hide logos because of school rules.

While reaching new audiences, the company also moved to add to its Southern appeal this fall with a series of radio commercials that depict such moments as South Carolina youths dancing the shag in the 1950s and Atlantans lining up for chili dogs at the Varsity Restaurant when it opened seven decades ago.

"We should know," the Duck Head commercials say. "We were there."

Walt Disney World college?



The greatest place on earth: Sophomore Jay Hodges said he enjoys working as a tour guide at Walt Disney World.

Special Photo

Ellen Rogers
Staff Writer

Who can forget their first trip to Disney World? The excitement of the Magic Kingdom, Epcot, MGM Studios Theme Park and of course, Mickey, is enjoyed by people of all ages.

Jay Hodges, a sophomore broadcasting major at GSU, is reliving the excitement this semester as a student of the Walt Disney World College.

He and 3,500 other college students from all over the world are learning important aspects of the entertainment and hospitality industry.

Students are given jobs in different resort areas based on their chosen major.

Hodges, who has a theatrical and musical background, seems to be enjoying his work as a tour guide at MGM Studios.

"He works at the back lot," which is a behind the scenes look at MGM," Jean O'Mea, Hodges' mother said. "He saw Susan Lucci (soap opera star of 'All My Children') and the guitarist of Aerosmith when he was giving tours."

Hodges was first introduced to the program when he saw an ad in *The George-Anne* announcing a representative from Disney World was coming to GSU to recruit interested

and qualified students.

He went to the first meeting and returned the next night for an interview.

Hodges works at MGM Studios five days a week and attends business seminars twice a week. The seminars focus on the Walt Disney Company's history, philosophy, culture and management. He lives with five other students involved in the program.

"It's a lot of hard work and commitment, but he's having a great time," O'Mea said.

The holidays are one of Disney World's busiest times of the year. Hodges worked on Thanksgiving Day and will continue to work over the Christmas holidays.

"Our family is having Christmas at Disney World this year," O'Mea laughs.

Hodges started the program on Aug. 30 and will leave on Jan. 2, receiving a commemorative degree as a graduate of Walt Disney World College in 1998-99.

Eligible for advanced internship opportunities during his junior and senior years of college, he hopes the experience will open many doors for future jobs.

"I think that the Disney College Program is a great opportunity for students," O'Mea said.

Nike, Adidas and Puma cash in outfitting NFL teams

The Associated Press

Nike, Adidas and Puma will increase their NFL presence next fall, while Reebok and Champion are dropping out of the race to outfit football teams.

New deals announced last Tuesday by the NFL reflect the disarray in the athletic footwear and apparel business, where many of the main players have suffered big downturns.

Two mainstays of the NFL's licensing program, Reebok International Ltd. and Champion Products Inc., dropped out of the program and won't outfit a single team next year.

At an estimated \$10 billion a year, retail sales of big-league uniforms and other league-sanctioned merchandise has become a very big business. But sales have fallen flat because of changing fashion whims and image problems in professional sports.

For Reebok, it was another step in a high-profile retreat from traditional sports marketing investments.

"It was a mutual decision," said NFL spokesman Chris Widmaier when asked about Reebok's pullout.

"I don't think it's any secret that Reebok is reevaluating its strategy. And we have to have partners who are going to contribute to the marketing of their teams," Widmaier said.

Reebok opted out of the NFL program because it didn't make any money, company spokesman Dave Fogelson said.

"We're giving up something that we hate to lose," Fogelson said. "But in terms of the return on our investment, we were seeing it just wasn't worth it."

Still, the NFL apparel contracts are viewed as lucrative. The NFL pulls higher television ratings and has operated longer since its last labor stoppage than other professional sports leagues.

"You're hurt by work stoppages in the NHL, MLB and now the NBA," said Eddie White, vice president of team properties at Logo Athletic, a longtime player in licensed sport sales. "The fans can only take so much. You're going to lose some people."

Puma became the largest

single shareholder in Logo Athletic through a management buyout last summer.

Major League Baseball gear finally showed some renewed popularity this year, spurred by the home run race between Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa.

The NBA, however, has seen licensed merchandise sales plummet as a result of its lockout. Trade publications expect those sales to fall to \$1.4 billion this year, from \$2.3 billion a year ago.

The NFL has managed to avoid any significant declines. But it hopes at best to reach last year's total, estimated between \$2.7 billion and \$3 billion.

Nike, based in Beaverton, went from eight to 10 teams this year, adding to its fold the Atlanta Falcons and the New York Giants.

What the NFL boasts the other leagues cannot touch, is the strongest television ratings in domestic sports. It provides widespread exposure that other sports cannot match.

"We consider it the 'Oscar' of all licensed sports products," Widmaier said.

Adidas increased its on-field presence threefold. The company that currently outfits Tampa Bay added Washington, New England and the highly desirable San Francisco 49ers.

Puma got the rights to 10 teams, six of which were outfitted last year, by Logo Athletic. Puma provided capital to a management group that bought our Logo from its prior owner, Tultex Corp., last summer. In return, Puma became Logo's largest single shareholder.

Jim Gorman, president of Brockton, Mass.-based Puma North America, said the com-

pany will use Puma's leaping feline logo on the uniforms, not Logo's.

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FROM MY DESK...

VANESSA KEBER

What's up with this awful weather?

C'mon, this is winter. It should be cold; right about now we should be pulling out our favorite sweaters and donning jackets. Instead, we've reverted back to the resort wear of summer: shorts, sandals, tee-shirts, tank tops...does anyone else have a problem with 81-degree weather in December?

It is for this reason that the lighted wreaths placed in front of GSU's main entrance are almost comical, that the Christmas tree in Landrum with the giant Santa cutout looks so out of place as we walk in drenched with sweat and damp with humidity. I felt absolutely ridiculous picking out a Christmas tree in 70 degree weather, the workers dressed in cutoffs as they netted the tree. Where's the snow? The icicles on the eaves? The need for hot cocoa and scarves?

Perhaps this bewilderment stems from the fact that I'm a freshman from northern Georgia, formerly from the midwest, and that I'm not used to a GSU December. I don't care. I would happily trade in all of the green grass, flowers and sunshine for a blustery snowstorm with icy winds and solid white skies. To be able to lean my head back and catch snowflakes on my tongue as my cheeks turned rosy with the cold. To build a snowman, peg friends with solidly packed snowballs, and look forward to dissolving jet-puffed marshmallows in Swiss-Miss when my toes and fingers became too numb to play outside anymore.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to go to the holiday sales and buy gifts for family and friends, all the while looking forward to driving home in the snow? Or to see the salt trucks drive by, spewing salt and sand to keep the roads from freezing overnight? I would even settle for the temperature to drop a good thirty degrees, anything but what it's like now.

Perhaps I'm too traditional, or maybe my day-dreaming is getting the best of me, but I think everyone deserves to experience the joy of a snow-covered holiday season.

Tree lighting delights students, community

By Vanessa Keber
A & E Editor

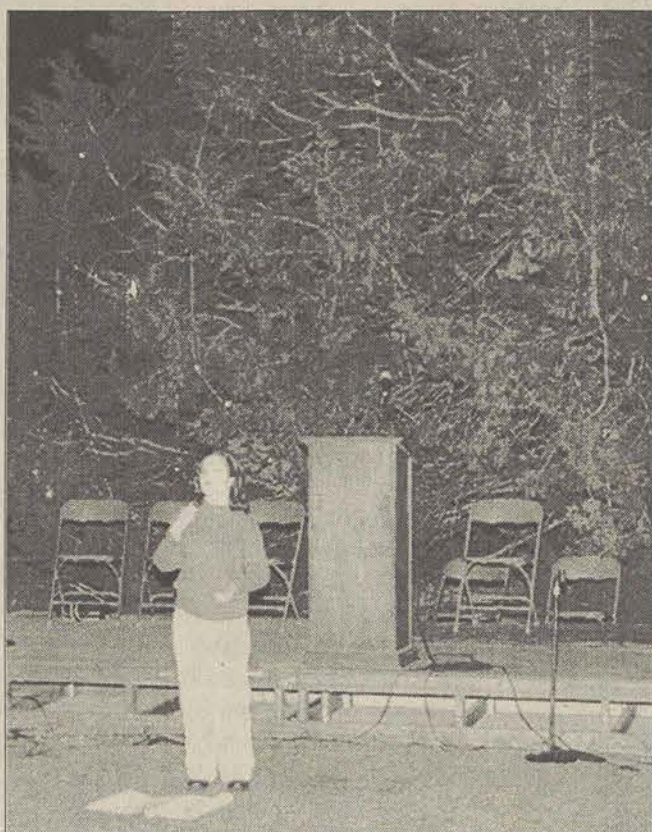
Beneath a star-speckled sky Friday, GSU faculty, staff and students gathered together with members of the Statesboro community for the 38th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony.

"The tree lighting is an important way to celebrate the holiday season with members of the [Statesboro] community and the campus community...it's an important way to bring the campus and the community together in an important time of year," acting GSU president Harry Carter said before he threw the switch that lit the tree.

The huge pine, located to the left of the Lakeside Cafe entrance, was bedecked with multi-colored lights and topped with a bright blue star. A stage was constructed before the tree, where members of the various religious organizations on campus held skits, sang carols, prayed and celebrated the birth of Christ.

"This event is bringing together Christians in organizations, as well as others," said Tuba Benson-Jaja, who performed with the Baptist Student Union's singers.

Vision Ministries member Latresse Williams agrees. "I think it makes a different impact on students and the community," said Williams. "It brings



Robert Bruce

Kicking off the season, students, faculty, and community look on as students sing in the spirit of the season.



husband is a professor on campus, and Linda Reichard. "We come out every year," Downs said. "It's nice to come together as a community, and the kids enjoy the tree lighting and the music."

"It's a nice thing to look forward to come to with the kids—it's something they'll never forget," Reichard said.

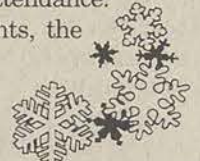
A good time was had by all in attendance. Everyone seemed to enjoy the lights, the music and meeting new people.

Said Katherine Smith, a BSU member and performer, "It's the reason for the season."

religions together for Statesboro and the students."

Another notable performance was the Life Ministry Worship Team's rock renditions of classic Christmas carols. The band, which included a drum set and bass guitars, cranked out an interesting rendition of "O Little Town of Bethlehem" that had the crowd tapping their feet and clapping along.

Many community members brought along their children for the tree lighting. The kids seemed to have fun playing together near the back of the crowd while listening to the music and marveling at the tree. Among this group were mothers Judy Downs, whose



Drivin'n'Cryin'a tradition

By Stacey Wysong
Managing Editor

Seeing Drivin' n' Cryin' at least once is pretty much a must here at GSU, but once you've seen them one time, you've seen them a hundred times.

Atlanta's Kevn Kinney and his fellow rockers, Tim Nielson and Jeff Sullivan, took the stage Saturday night at Legends facing a motley sort of audience.

Everyone from your local redneck to the snotty student down your hall was in attendance. Smoke filled the air as the best of the best drank their blues away awaiting the band who is always loyal to its Statesboro fans.

Opening up with his characteristic hair blowing numbers, Kinney sounded the same as usual, but did have the first three or four rows of people up front jumping with arms flailing in the air.

It was not until the oh so beautiful tunes of "Honey-suckle Blue" came bellowing from the stage did the crowd really seem to start getting into the show.

Other notable tunes Drivin' n' Cryin' wowed their audi-

ence with were "Peacemaker," "Scarred But Smarter," and "Straight to Hell."

A few brave souls took to the crowd for a little crowd surfing, which I thought was a bit lame considering Drivin' n' Cryin' is more of a stand there and jam band.

Overall, the gang at Legends did a great job with the large crowd, and Drivin' n' Cryin' was a must see for those who had never been before. Those of us who had, however, pretty much knew the set list before the show began.

Get their CDs and know the music. If for no other reason other than the fact that they are a truly talented band, just not awe-inspiring live.



Robert Bruce

Taking a breather after the show, Drivin' n' Cryin' was in their element at Legends Friday night.

Sing-Along successful

By Cherlea Dorsey
Staff Writer

The Sing-Along Messiah, held on Friday evening directly after the lighting of the Christmas tree, was open to GSU students, faculty, staff and the Statesboro community. The University Singers, Southern Chorus, and voice faculty were also on hand to serve as backup singers. People gathered in a circle for over an hour to sing Christmas carols that were familiar to some and not so familiar to others. There were 14 GSU music department soloists that participated.

This was the event's first year, sponsored by GSU's Music Department to help bring the community, students and faculty together to get in the Christmas spirit.

"The purpose was to get people in the holiday spirit and [it was] a service to the community," Jerome Peterson, a soloist at the sing-along, said. "It [was] a chance for the community to sing with students and for everyone to sing with singers who are more experienced."

A good amount of people did come to this particular event to show their interest in a sing-along.

"It was an enriching experience and it was a service to the commu-

nity," Jerome Peterson said.

"I thought it was good," student Tanji Peterson said. The sing-along did accomplish inspiring people and making everyone feel welcomed. "I thought it was pretty inspiring because different people in the community and students got together in one voice that sounded pretty good."

This being the first year the music department has put on this particular event, some felt that it went pretty well since it was not rehearsed.

"It was very good timing for the amount of things that took place," Jerome Peterson said. "Everything came together so nicely since it was not rehearsed."

Because there were so many participants in the sing-along, some students found the event to be longer than they were prepared for.

"The only small problem about this program was that it was pretty lengthy," Tanji Peterson said.

"This was definitely a different way to spend a Friday evening," student Wayne Wooley said.

Behind the scenes: Gallery 303

By Heather Culp
Staff Writer

Walking through Gallery 303, slowly moving from piece to piece taking in the art work, you never would think that each piece was carefully planned and set in its place, or that hours were spent preparing the exhibit.

Gallery 303 has hosted several art shows so far this year, showcasing mediums like photography, collage, paintings, and sculpture. Each exhibit involves an opening night where students, faculty and staff of GSU are invited to come snack, converse, and view the artwork. In most cases, the artists are on hand at these events to answer any questions those in attendance might have.

Behind the artwork lies a dedicated group of four to six students, called the Gallery Committee, that work year round planning and preparing each show. Each piece in an exhibit is carefully planned and placed to amplify the effect of the artists' work.

"The art in a show is set up to tell a story," Richard Tichich, Chair of the Art Department, said.

A lot of work goes into the set up of each show. According to Tichich, "it's like completely redecorating your living room every three months."

Catherine Carter, the student head of the Gallery Committee, says that the setups can become quite complicated.

"Last year we had to construct an entire house in the gallery, it had real glass windows and everything," she said.

Tichich admits that, although the set up is usually done entirely by the committee, occasionally the gallery will have artists come in that prefer to set up their own work. One of these artists is installation artist Hironori Murai, whose exhibit will open in the gallery on Jan. 14. In cases like these, Tichich says that the committee "is smart enough to let the artists do it themselves."

Most of the work the committee does is by phone.

"For every hour they spend in the gallery hanging a painting they spend ten hours on the phone," Tichich explains.

All recruiting of the artists is done by phone. The committee also makes the arrangements

for the artists' accommodations when they come to town, as well as plan the small buffet receptions at each shows opening by phone.

Not even halfway through this year's gallery season, the committee is already hard at work lining up artists for next year. According to Tichich, members of the Gallery Committee make trips to various galleries and art shows throughout the year to collect ideas for Gallery 303 exhibits. They also receive press packets from artists wishing to display their work in the gallery. In March, the committee will take all the proposals they have gathered and plan next year's season. In addition to the regular assortment of local and international artists, next year the committee is arranging shows for several GSU alumni to honor the new millennium.

The Gallery Committee is responsible for more than just finding artists and setting up the shows. They must also provide tours through the gallery.

'Docent Tours,' as they are called, are available for groups, organizations and classes. The guide will also try to teach the group how to understand and appreciate the artwork during the tour.

"We usually pick one of the works to critique with them," Carter said. "Then we teach them how to look for composition, color, balance and variety of line in the work." Docent tours are free of charge and can be scheduled by calling the Art Department's main office.

The only art displayed in the gallery that is not planned by the Gallery Committee is the senior exhibition shows. These shows are in the small room set in the back of the gallery. The seniors must set up and plan their shows themselves, even arranging their own refreshments for their openings. According to Tichich, this gives the students the opportunity to examine and learn all aspects of the gallery experience.

GSU's Gallery 303 is found on the third floor of the Foy Fine Arts Center. The gallery is presently displaying the works of Keith McIntyre and running senior exhibition shows. There is no admission charge to the gallery and anyone is welcome to stop by and check out the exhibits.

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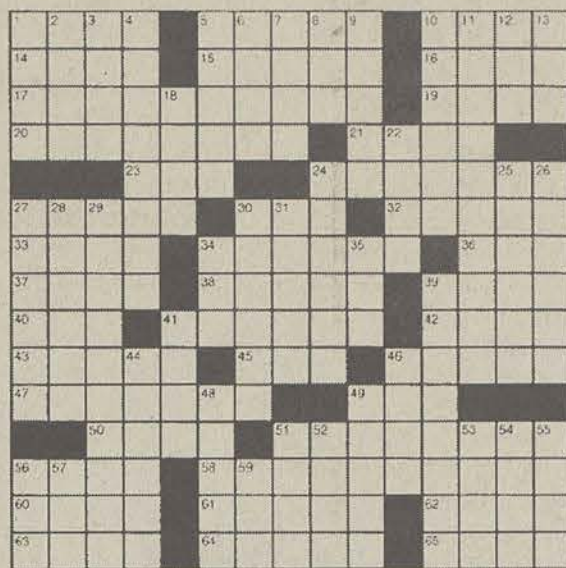
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Secret society for happy people FOOTBALL, FROM PAGE 1

The Associated Press

DALLAS— If you're happy and you know it — shhh! There's a spot for you in the Secret Society of Happy People. "If you're happy but don't admit it because other people don't want to hear it, then we're the society for you," says founder Pam Johnson.

The society, founded in August in the Dallas suburb of Irving, promotes the idea that it's OK to be happy, despite the lack of positive response from others.

That's especially true at Christmas, Johnson says, challenging advice columnist Ann Landers on the subject of family news letters enclosed with holiday cards.

"Spare us the details of the Ivy League schools your children are attending and the honors and awards they have re-

ceived during the year. Just let us know in a handwritten note that your family is well and doing something useful," said a recent letter signed "Your Cousins in Illinois."

Ann Landers responded: "Dear Cousins: Thank you for expressing sentiments that are sure to be shared (and appreciated) by millions of readers. Including me."

In a letter to Landers, Johnson demanded an apology "to the millions of people you made feel bad for wanting to share their happy news."

Happiness is about recognizing the happy moments of your life, not about competing with others, Johnson wrote.

"Happy moments are good things that need to be shared more, not less," she said.

Landers' editor in Los Angeles, Katherine Searcy, said

she would pass along Johnson's letter and request a reply from the columnist.

Americans waste a lot of time discussing topics like: "My girlfriend/boyfriend is a jerk," "I don't like my job," "I need to lose 30 pounds," "If I only had more money," and "I need to buy something," Johnson said.

The society does not suggest that people should pretend they are content or ignore real problems, but urges people to stop grouching and answer the question: "Are you happier than you admit you are?"

"Most people think about it for a moment and they reply, 'You know, I am,'" Johnson said.

According to Johnson, the society has about 60-plus secretly happy members and recruits mainly through its Internet site: www.sohp.com.

26-yard rumble off an option pitch.

In fact, GSU had three offensive backs rush for over a hundred yards in the same game for the first time since Dec. 13, 1986, when the Eagles defeated Nevada-Reno 48-38 in the I-AA semifinals.

On that day, Tracy Ham and Gerald Harris both rushed for 162 yards and Ricky Harris chipped in with 106.

The Eagles potent and high scoring offense has their head coach Paul Johnson reminiscing about the famous Eagle teams of the '80s.

"Amazingly this is so much like 1985 and 1986 when I was here before, it's scary; I mean it really is," Johnson said. "You go out and you play and you keep playing, and you don't miss a turn (in scoring) because if you miss a turn you get in trouble.

Then all of a sudden we'll find a quarter where we play good on defense, and as long as we keep punching along we distance ourselves and get far enough ahead."

That seemed to be the basic strategy of the Eagles in their matchup against the Huskies. When it seemed like the GSU defense was unable to stop the Huskies' deadly offense, the Eagle offense had to basically outscore Connecticut.

When Hill scored off a nine-yard TD run in the second quarter to put the Eagles up 21-10, they seemed to have established control of the game. But the Husky offense stormed back with two consecutive touchdowns. The second TD score came after a GSU turnover caused when the Husky defense stripped the ball from Eagle slotback Corey Joyner.

At half-time, GSU found them-

selves trailing for only the second time all year, 24-21.

But in the second half, the Eagle's offense stormed over the Huskies like a category five hurricane.

Hill and Peterson combined for a pair of touchdown runs in the third quarter to give the Eagles some breathing room, with a 35-24 lead.

Connecticut came back once again, this time on a 31-yard screen pass play from Husky QB Shane Stafford to tailback Barry Chandler. The touchdown cut the Eagles' lead to 35-30 at the end of the third quarter.

GSU shoved the Peterson Express down the Husky defense throats, and that combined with the south Georgia heat finally took a toll on Connecticut.

Peterson finished off the Huskies, scoring the last two GSU touchdowns with runs of two and 23-yards, respectively.

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drink alcohol," Bayens said. "Most of them are away from home for the first time, and they want to experiment. This is why education on the use and misuse of alcohol is so important."

Bayens also attributes the decline in conduct code violations to a law that was passed two years ago by the Georgia Legislature.

"They issued a law that any person under age 21 with .02 blood alcohol level would be charged," Bayens said.

Students have to be aware that this blood alcohol level can be achieved through drinking one beer, he said.

"The majority of students have taken the law to heart," Bayens said. "Otherwise they

would get DUI's and have a record."

"We are getting the message out to a greater number of students," Bayens said.

According to criminal incidents reported to the GSU police department, there were 26 DUI's in 1997, compared to 28 in 1996, and 46 in 1995.

We are sticking to the policies implemented at the school," Bayens said. "This is helping us when it comes time to educate the students."

"In a recent survey, the College Press Association asked to list the major problems on college campuses. Over 90 percent of the institutions that responded, listed alcohol as the number one problem."

INTERNET, FROM PAGE 1

"The post-game show has actually been enhanced by the website," Byrne said, "because it allows us to hear from people who have been away and haven't been able to attend a GSU football game."

Byrne stated the Internet has promoted GSU football as well.

"It has broadened the scope and spectrum of people being able to talk about GSU football," Byrne said. "Being on the Internet has been a big boom for Georgia Southern's broadcast. It has given us access to the world."

Byrne said GSU's broadcast on the Internet is "wonderful" because it also allows people to listen at their leisure as well as during the game.

During the first two weeks, 2,791 fans visited Georgia Southern's website. Over 35,206 have visited GSU's homepage since.

Tamara Schomber, a GSU alumni living in Washington D.C., is one of those people.

Schomber stated, by e-mail that she is as excited listening to GSU's football games over the Internet as she is watching it on television at Paulson Stadium.

"GSU football on Broadcast.com is truly one of the most exciting things I've experienced this fall," Schomber said. "Hearing Nate Hirsch's voice

booming through my new sound system felt almost like home again."

"I was so excited to be listening to the game live that I think I e-mailed my date, GSU's Athletics Compliance Officer, Hank Schomber, every time the Eagles scored."

Schomber said being able to listen to GSU's games is very important to her.

"I've been involved with the team since the 'rebirth' of football at Georgia Southern," Schomber said. "I never missed a home game while I was living in south Georgia, and managed road-trips to several away games as well."

"I felt a great sense of Eagle withdrawal moving so far away from GSU coverage. I am really thrilled to be able to still participate in the unique True Blue Eagle experience."

There is only a 15 - to 20 - second delay between the action and when it reaches Internet listeners said Stefan. Users also use the computer for other work while listening to a game.

GSU is waiting to see how successful the program becomes.

"Right now we are providing an opportunity for those who are interested in GSU," said Stefan. "Our greater avenue is to conduct that interest."

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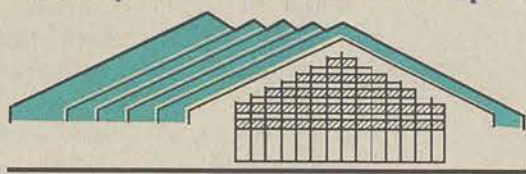
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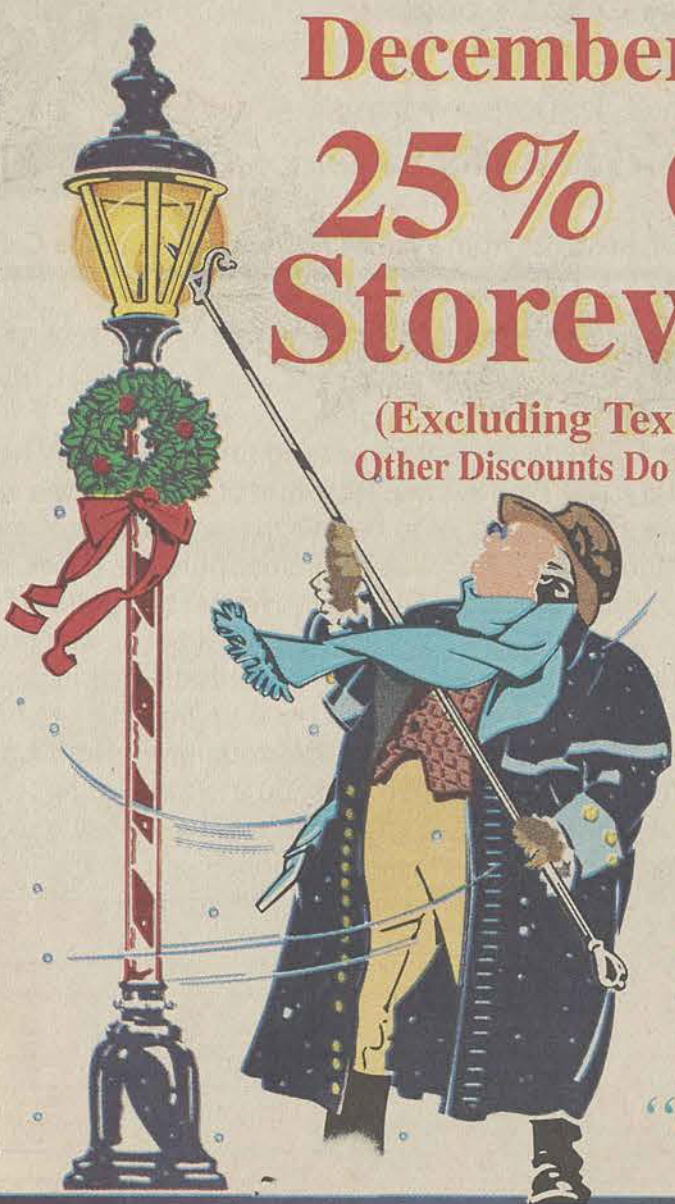
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